

機動戦士 クロスボーンガンダム DUST

MOBILE SUIT CROSS BORN
GUNDAM DUST

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THERE ARE
BUT THE
TINIEST
FRAGMENTS
DANCING IN
THE AIR.

THIS IS
THE
STORY
OF DUST.

THERE IS
NEITHER A
BEGINNING
NOR IS
THERE AN
END.



PROLOGUE

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PROLOGUE



IT WAS THE
BEGINNING
OF THE END
FOR THE
UNIVERSAL
CENTURY.

FOR ALL
WE KNOW,
SOME-
WHERE
ALONG
THE WAY...



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SO, WHERE
SHALL WE
BEGIN?

THE VERY FACT THAT IT WAS THE LEAGUE MILITAIRE, THE RESISTANCE, THAT WAS THE DECIDING FACTOR IN THE COURSE OF THE WAR, IN HINDSIGHT, SIGNALLED THAT THE EARTH FEDERATION WAS NO LONGER THE FORCE IT ONCE WAS, BOTH DOMESTICALLY AND ABROAD.

THE LAST GREAT WAR, THE ZANSCARE FOUNDED WAR, CAME TO A CLOSE SIXTEEN YEARS AGO.

YET AT THE TIME...

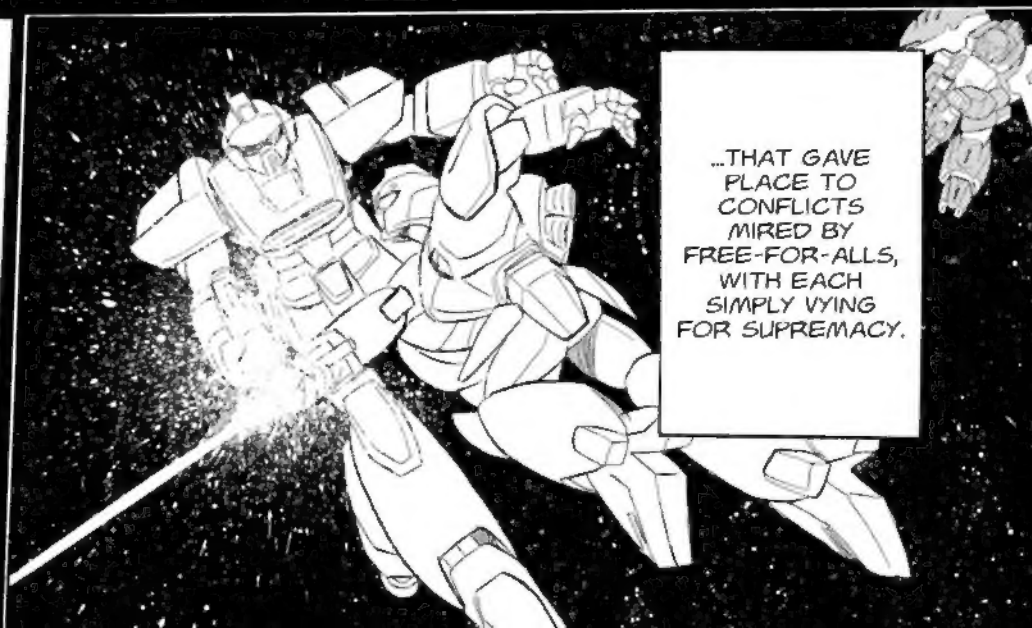


BEFORE LONG...

INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENTS IN THE COLONIES, HAVING LOST THE POWERFUL PAWL THAT WAS THE FEDERATION, GRADUALLY STARTED TO SPIRAL OUT OF CONTROL.

PROLONGED STRIFE AND CARNAGE HAMPERED THE STABILITY OF PEOPLE'S LIVES, LEADING TO A DECLINE IN TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES.

...THAT GAVE PLACE TO CONFLICTS MIRED BY FREE-FOR-ALLS, WITH EACH SIMPLY VYING FOR SUPREMACY.



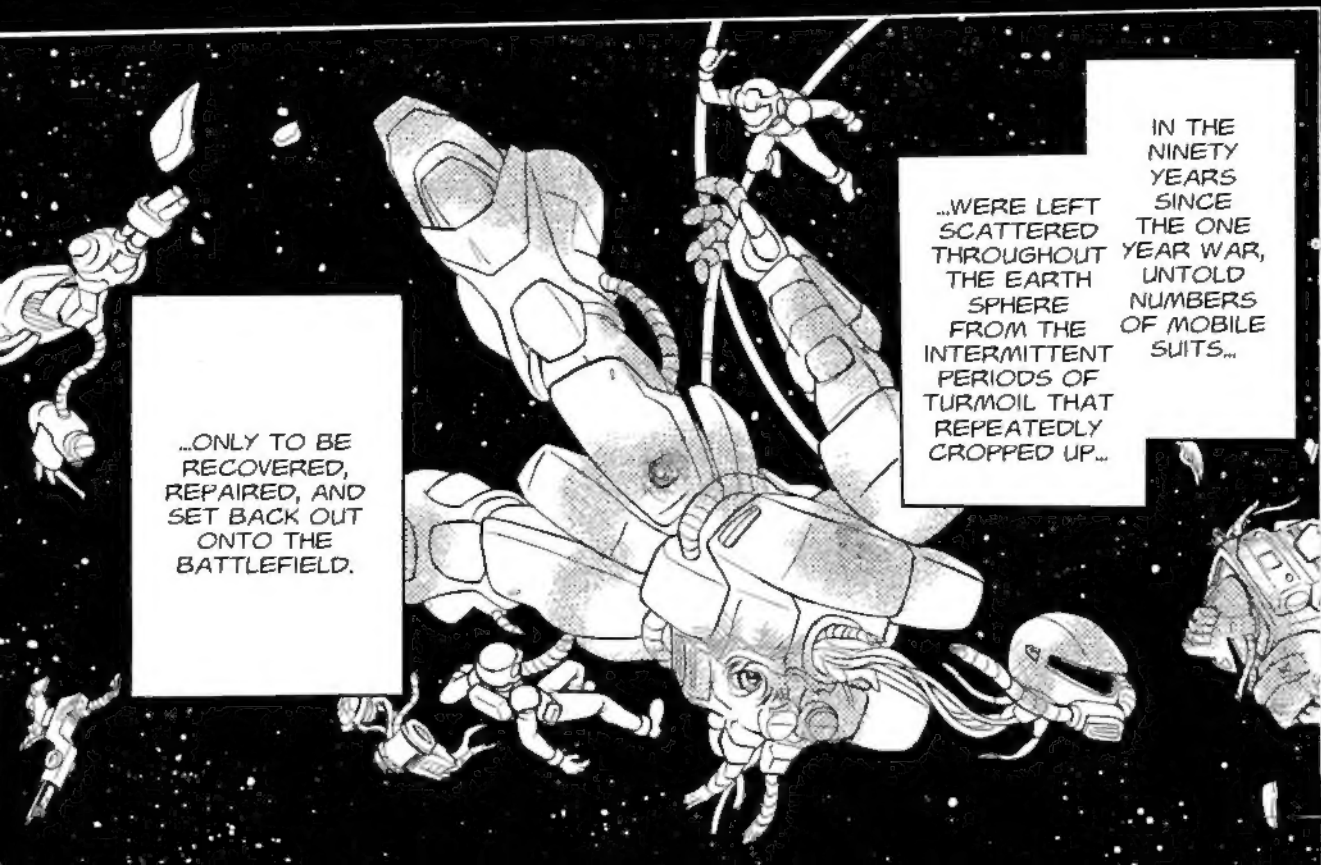


FOCUS
ON
ABILITIES
TO WAGE
WAR...

...GRADUALLY
STARTED
GIVING WAY
TO OLDER,
EASIER-TO-
MAINTAIN
MODELS OVER
NEWER,
DIFFICULT-TO-
MAINTAIN
MODELS.



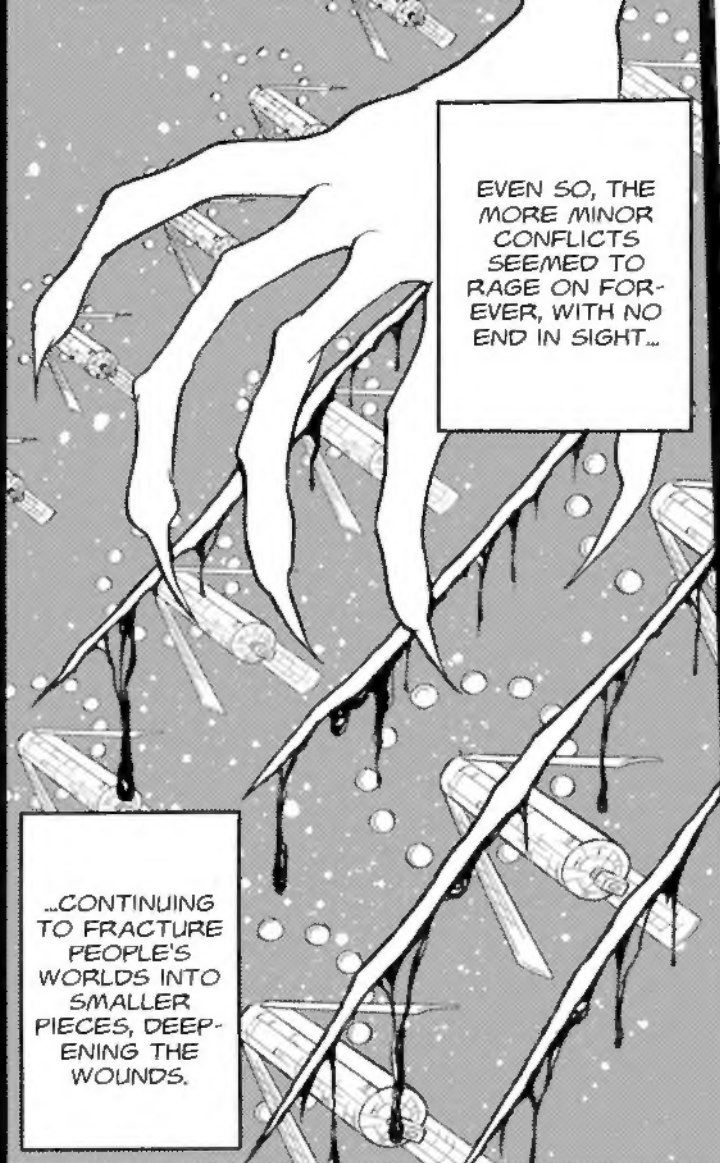
THE COLONIES HAD
ALL BUT LOST
BOTH THE
CAPACITY TO
DESIGN AND THE
STRENGTH TO
MASS-PRODUCE
NEW MODEL
MOBILE SUITS.



...ONLY TO BE
RECOVERED,
REPAIRED, AND
SET BACK OUT
ONTO THE
BATTLEFIELD.

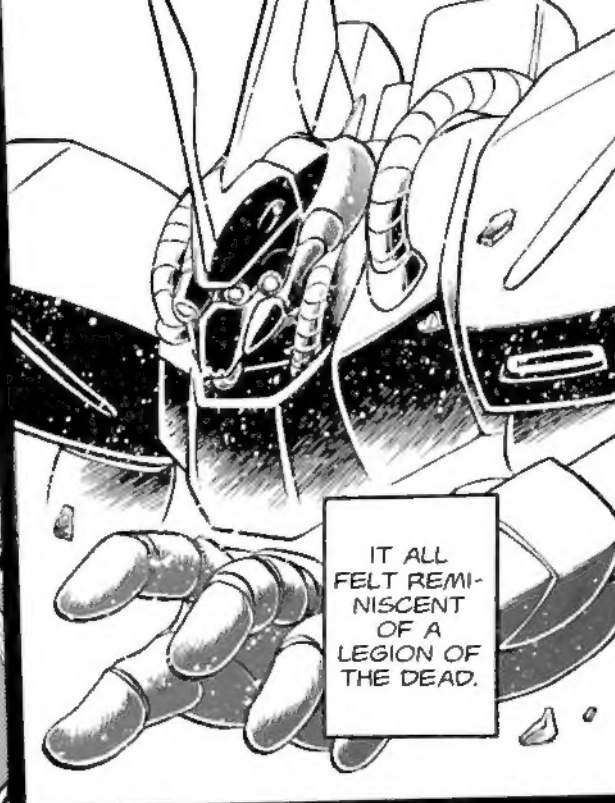
...WERE LEFT
SCATTERED
THROUGHOUT
THE EARTH
SPHERE
FROM THE
INTERMITTENT
PERIODS OF
TURMOIL THAT
REPEATEDLY
CROPPED UP...

IN THE
NINETY
YEARS
SINCE
THE ONE
YEAR WAR,
UNTOLD
NUMBERS
OF MOBILE
SUITS...



EVEN SO, THE
MORE MINOR
CONFLICTS
SEEMED TO
RAGE ON FOR-
EVER, WITH NO
END IN SIGHT...

...CONTINUING
TO FRACTURE
PEOPLE'S
WORLDS INTO
SMALLER
PIECES, DEEP-
ENING THE
WOUNDS.



IT ALL
FELT REMI-
NISCENT
OF A
LEGION OF
THE DEAD.

WITH A DECLINE IN
FIGHTING STRENGTH,
WARS WERE NO
LONGER FOUGHT
ACROSS SUCH LARGE
SCALES AS THEY
WERE IN THE PAST.



...BLEEDING
OUT LITTLE
BY LITTLE.

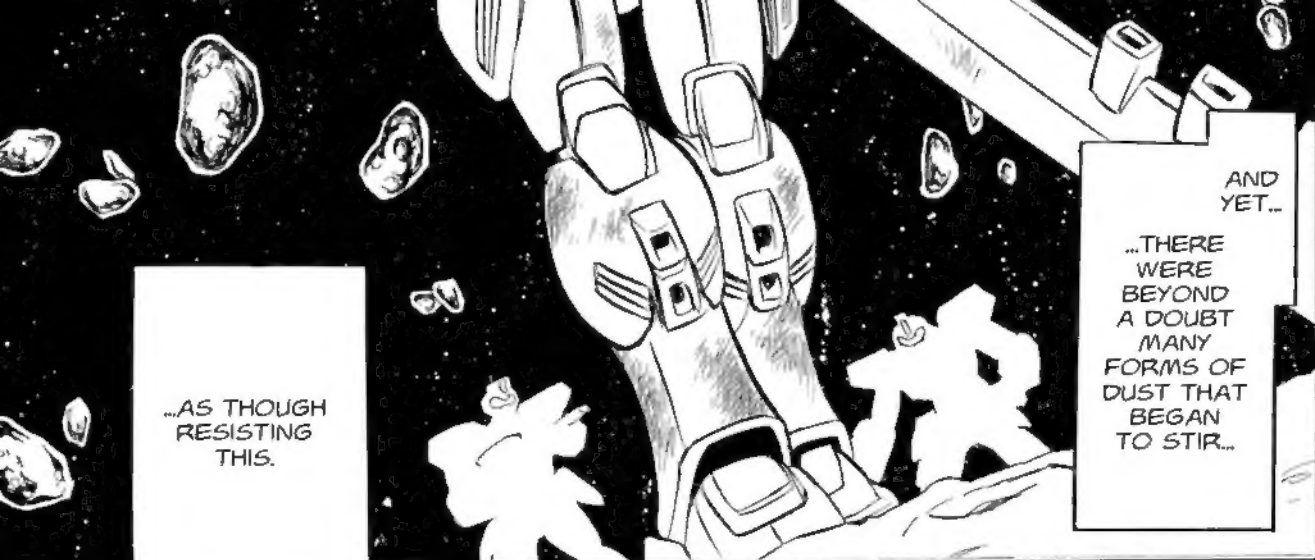
FOR ALL WE KNEW, THIS
IS HOW THE UNIVERSAL
CENTURY WOULD END...



YES, THE "IF
THIS GOES ON..."
ADAGE...



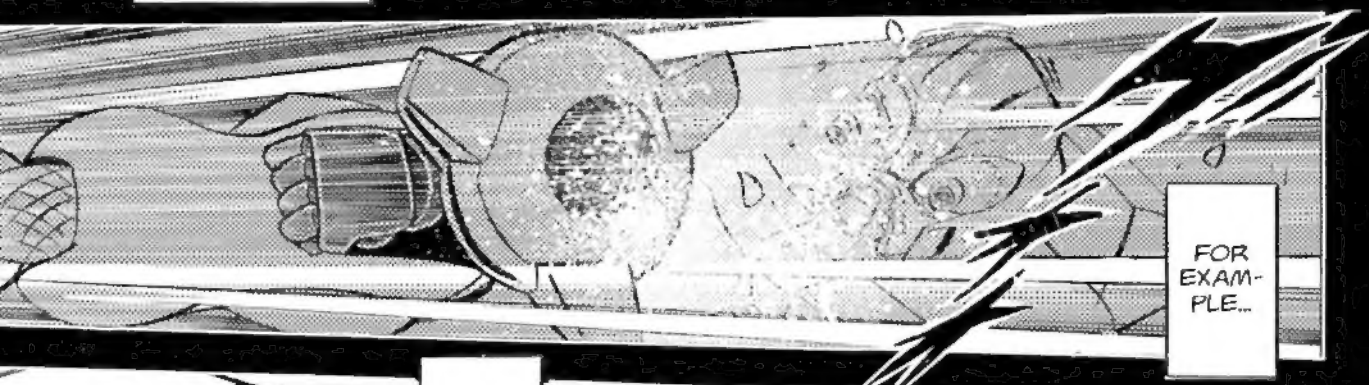
OR SO EVERY-
ONE WAS
STARTING
TO BELIEVE.



...AS THOUGH
RESISTING
THIS.

AND
YET...

...THERE
WERE
BEYOND
A DOUBT
MANY
FORMS OF
DUST THAT
BEGAN
TO STIR...



FOR
EXAM-
PLE...



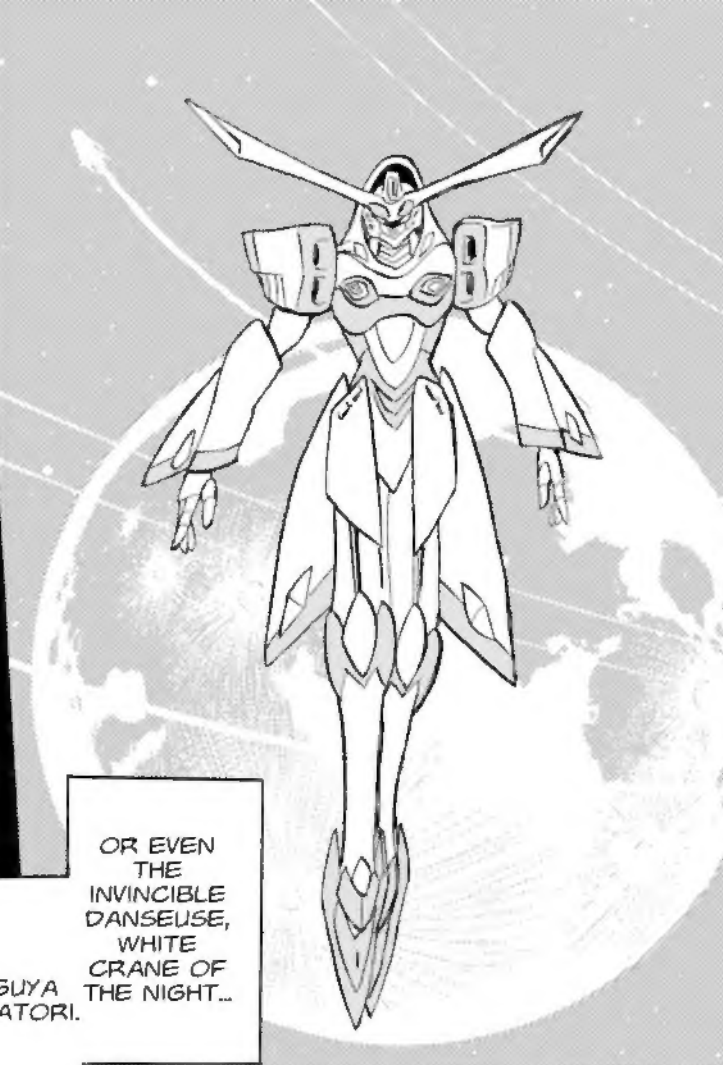
THE
MILITANT
GRAIN KING,
THE IRON
FARMER,
TAGUNAS
TAYAKA.

THIS
MAN.



KAGUYA
SHIRATORI.

OR EVEN
THE
INVINCIBLE
DANSEUSE,
WHITE
CRANE OF
THE NIGHT...



A
WANDERING
"GHOST"...



THERE
IS
EVEN...



AND
YET...



TIME TO
ROLL
OUT,
BOYS.

THERE'S
WORK TO
BE DONE!



HERE IS
BUT ONE
MORE.



COLONY 27.

A BUNCH OF
ARSEHOLES
PUNCHED A
HOLE IN THE
COLONY

WE'S
WAITING
FOR YOU,
BOSS!

SO?
WHERE
TO?



WE'RE NOT
MERC'S!
WE'RE IN IT TO
RESCUE AND
TRANSPORT
THE RESIDENTS
WHO FAILED TO
MAKE IT OUT...

SO,
I MEAN...



LEADER OF
THE ARMED
CONVOY
"MIGHTY
TRANSPORT"



WE'VE
BEEN
OVER
THIS LIKE A
THOUSAND
TIMES!

SO WE'S DOIN
THE KINDA
WORK WHERE
WE'S BLOW
'EM TO
SMITHEREENS!

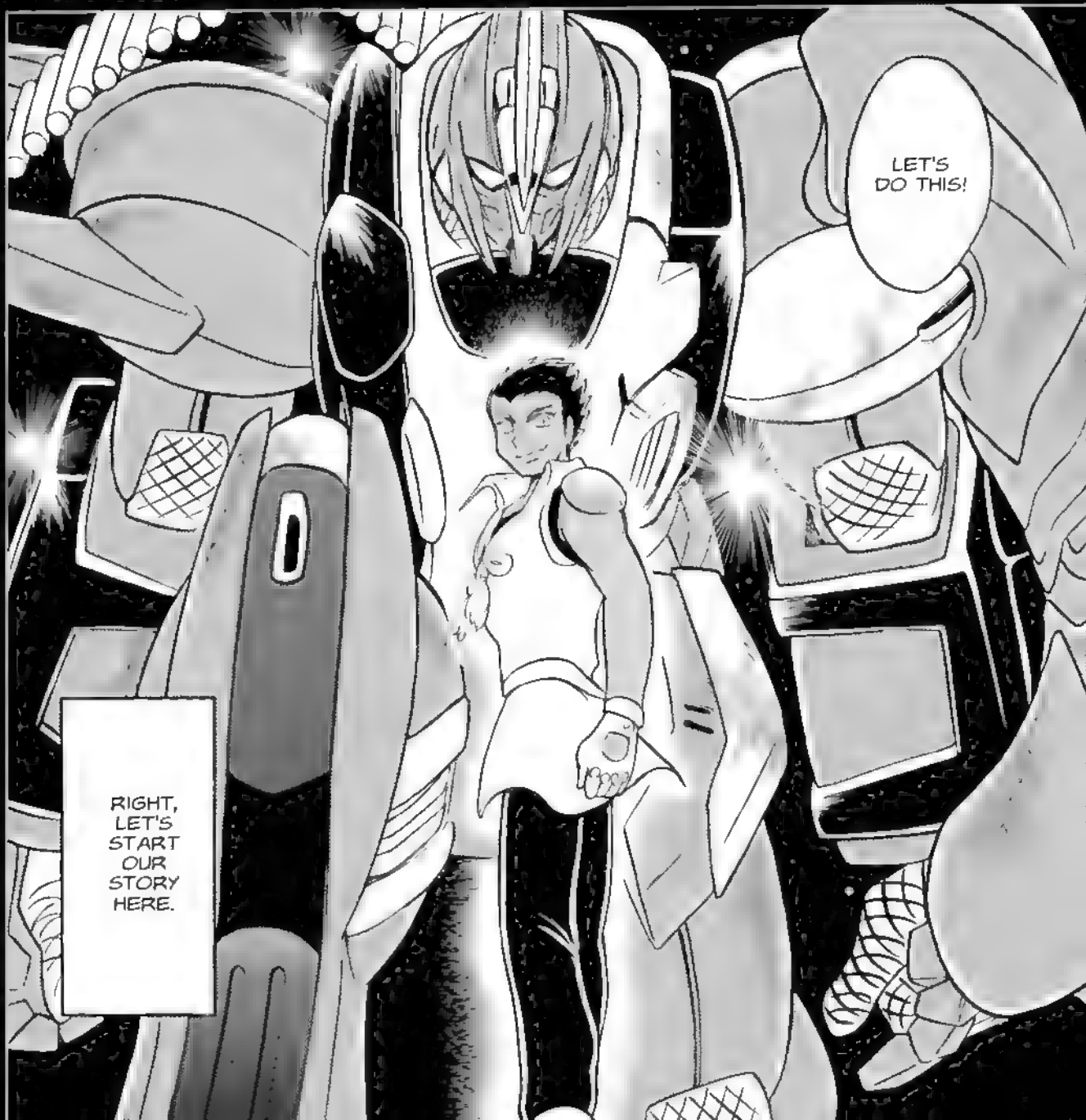


ASH
KING

BUT I MIGHT
AS WELL
SINCE I'M
THERE!

BUSTIN
UP SOME
ARSEHOLES
ISN'T WHAT
I'M THERE
FOR.

THE
"EVER-
LASTING
ASH"



LET'S
DO THIS!

RIGHT,
LET'S
START
OUR
STORY
HERE.

CHAPTER.1 ASH & THE LION

...AT LEAST
THAT'S WHAT
IT FELT LIKE.

HFF

HFF

HFF

I COULDN'T
TEAR MY
EYES
AWAY...

GOTTA
RUN...
GOTTA DO
IT QUICK...

MARAUDERS...
THEIR MOBILE
SUITS HAVE
GOTTEN IN!

IT WAS IRRATIONAL...
I WAS FACING
"DEATH" FOR NO
APPARENT REASON
WHATSOEVER.



AND YET...

I WAS ALMOST
SURE THAT "I"
WOULD VANISH
WITHOUT A TRACE
IN A MATTER OF
SECONDS.

HFF

HFF



...LOCKED
ONTO IT!

I JUST
KEPT MY
GAZE...



THERE WAS
NO WAY I
WAS GOING
TO BE
FRIGHTENED!



I COULDN'T
TEAR MY
EYES
AWAY!



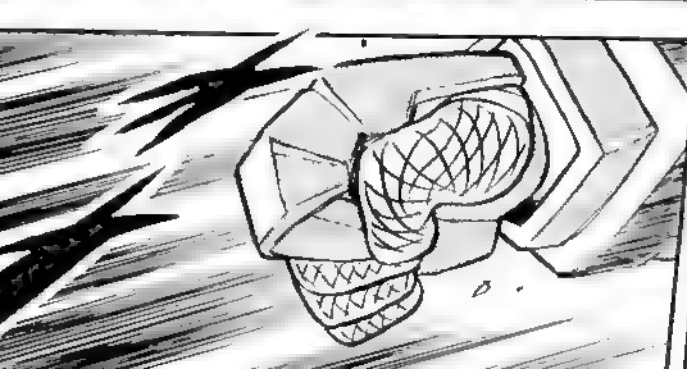
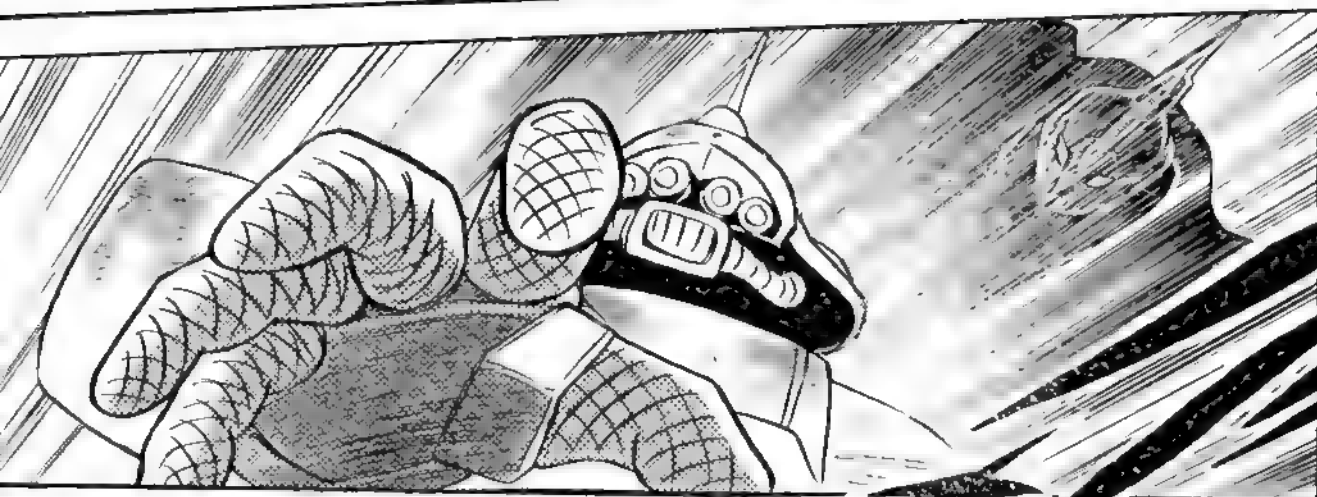
EVEN
IF I
WERE
TO
DISAP-
PEAR...



NEVER BE
FORGIVEN...

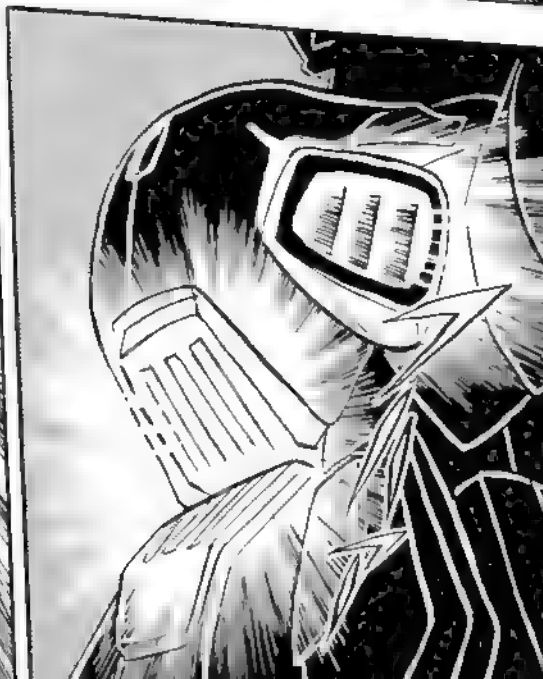


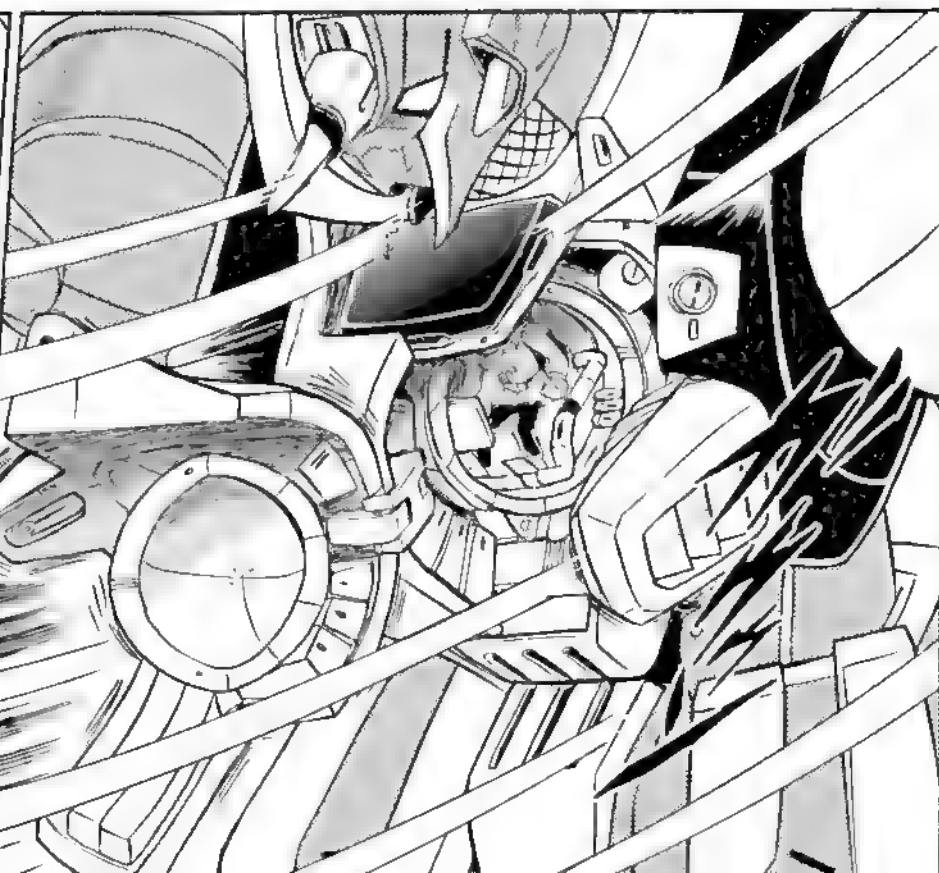
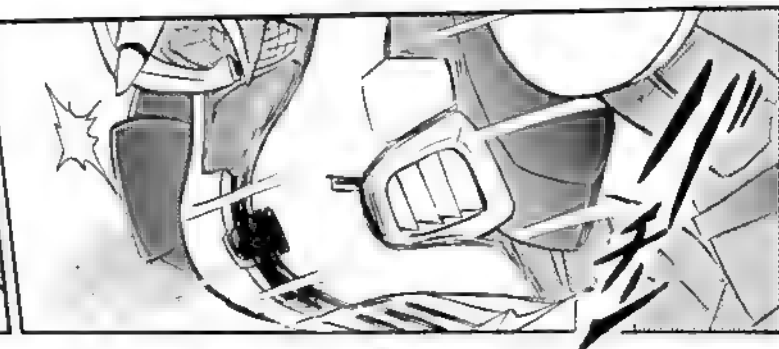
IT
WOULD
NEVER
BE
FOR-
GOT-
TEN...

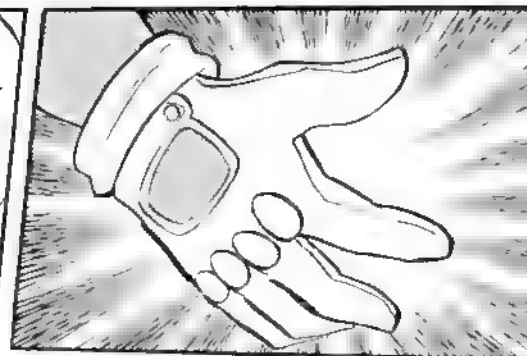


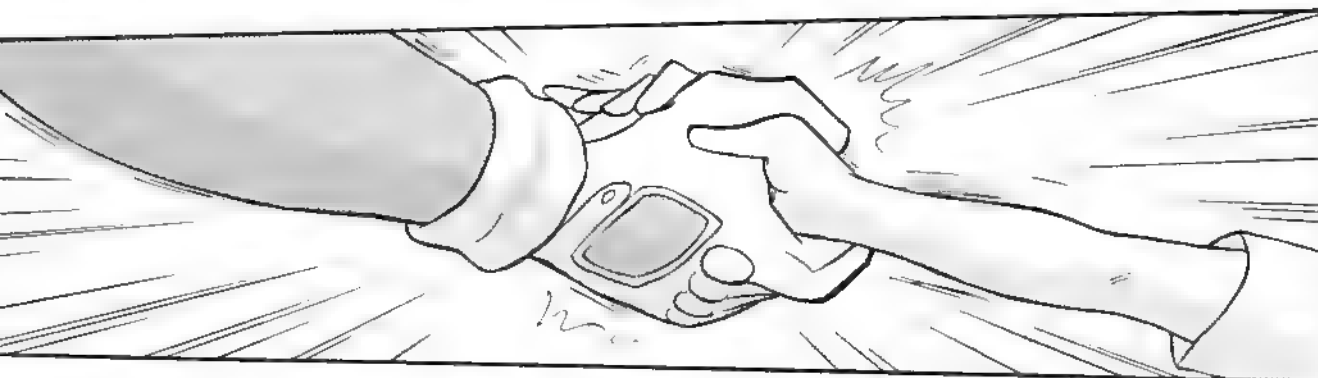
HUH?







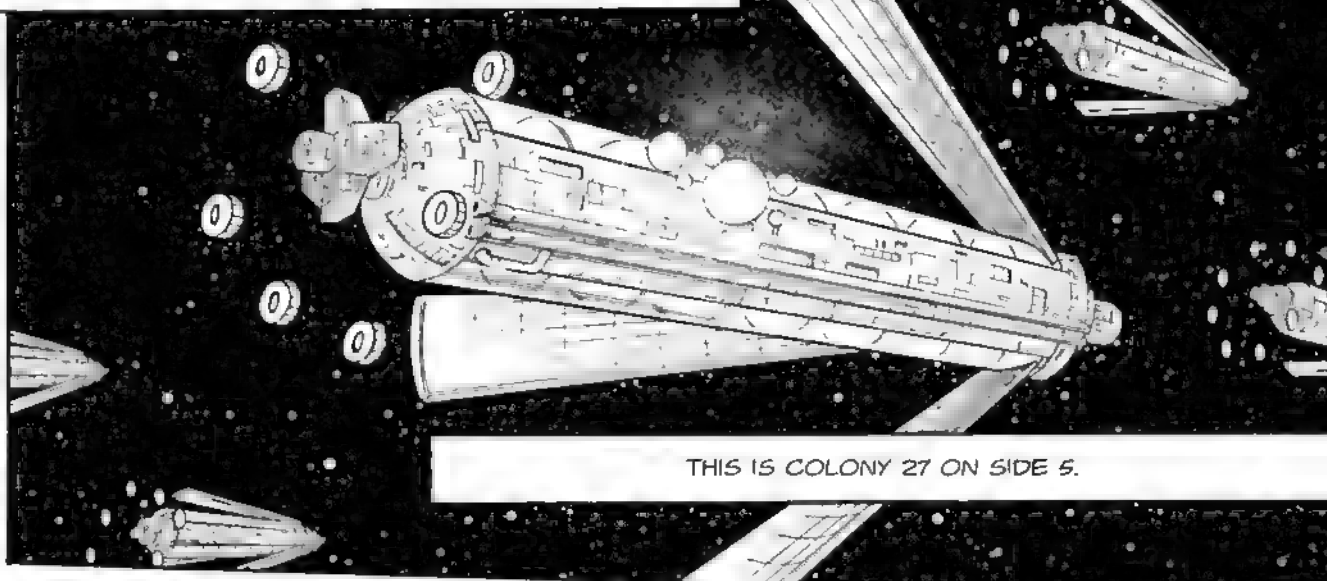




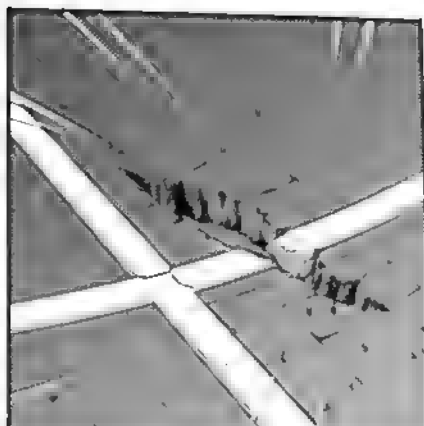


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IT'S LONG BEEN CALLED THE
WARRING STATES PERIOD OF OUTER SPACE.



THIS IS COLONY 27 ON SIDE 5.



THOUGH IT WASN'T FACE-TO-FACE WITH WAR.

YEAH.
IT'S
AWFUL...



RIGHT NOW, THE COLONY TEETERS
ON THE BRINK...

...OF DESTRUCTION.

OH,
GOD...



IT WAS AN INVASION BY MARAUDERS.

OVER THE YEARS, A DECLINE IN SECURITY AND
THE PROLIFERATION OF MOBILE SUITS...



...PAVED THE WAY FOR THE RISE OF OUTLAWS, AND SO...

THESE COLONIES WERE LIKE BUBBLES FLOATING IN SPACE AND THUS...

...WERE NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO WITHSTAND SUCH BRUTE FORCE.



MY
WORLD
IS SLIP-
PING
AWAY.



OH,
GOD,
NO...



...SO I
MOVED
HERE FIVE
YEARS AGO

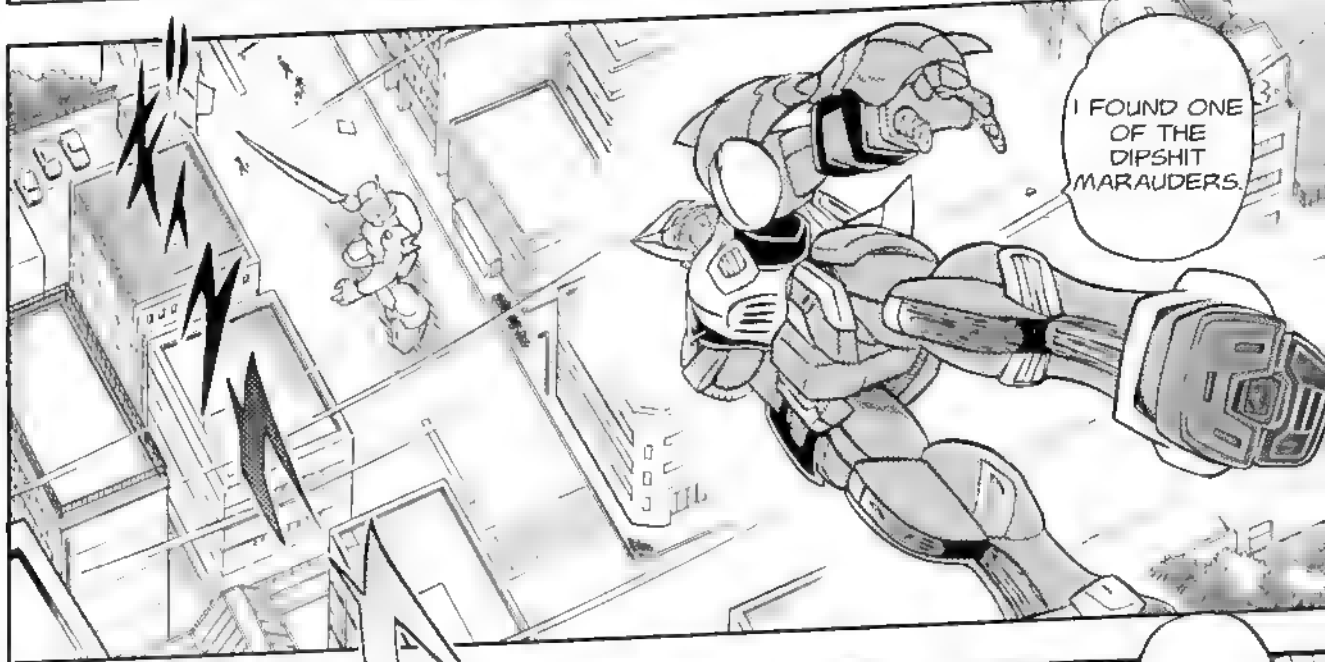
IT'S A
COLONY
I FOUND
THAT WOULD
FINALLY TAKE
ME IN...

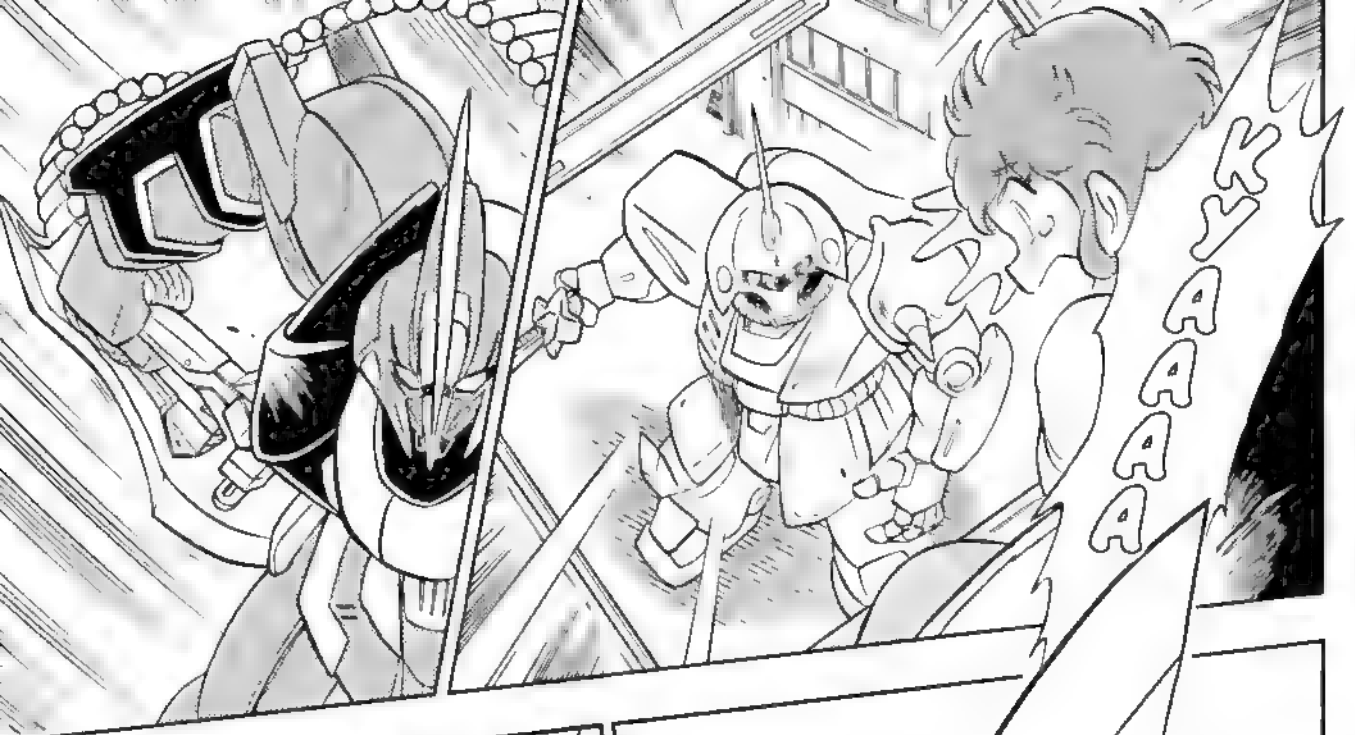


NO...

WERE YOU
BORN
HERE?





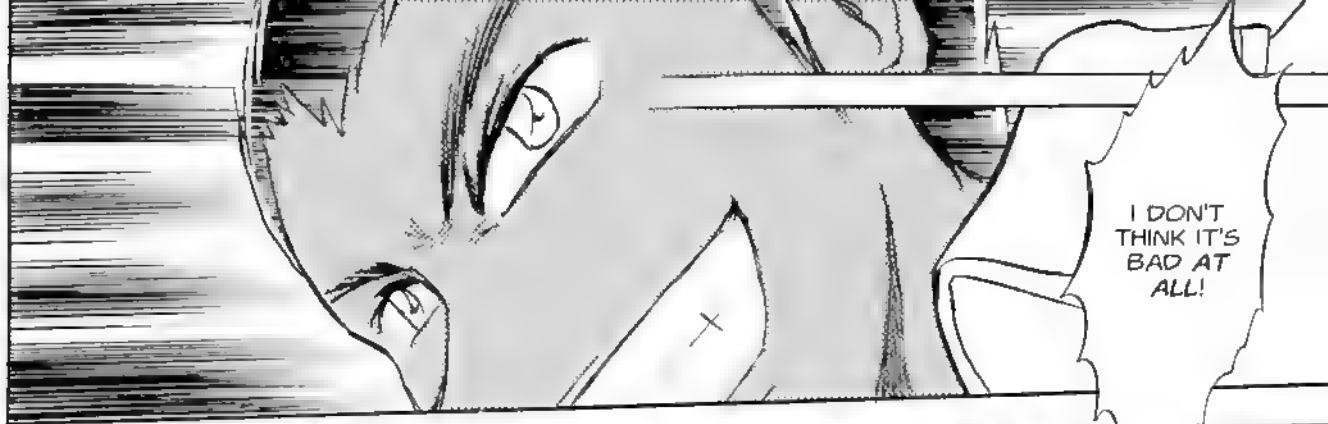




ASH KING!

THE NAME'S ASH!





I DON'T
THINK IT'S
BAD AT
ALL!

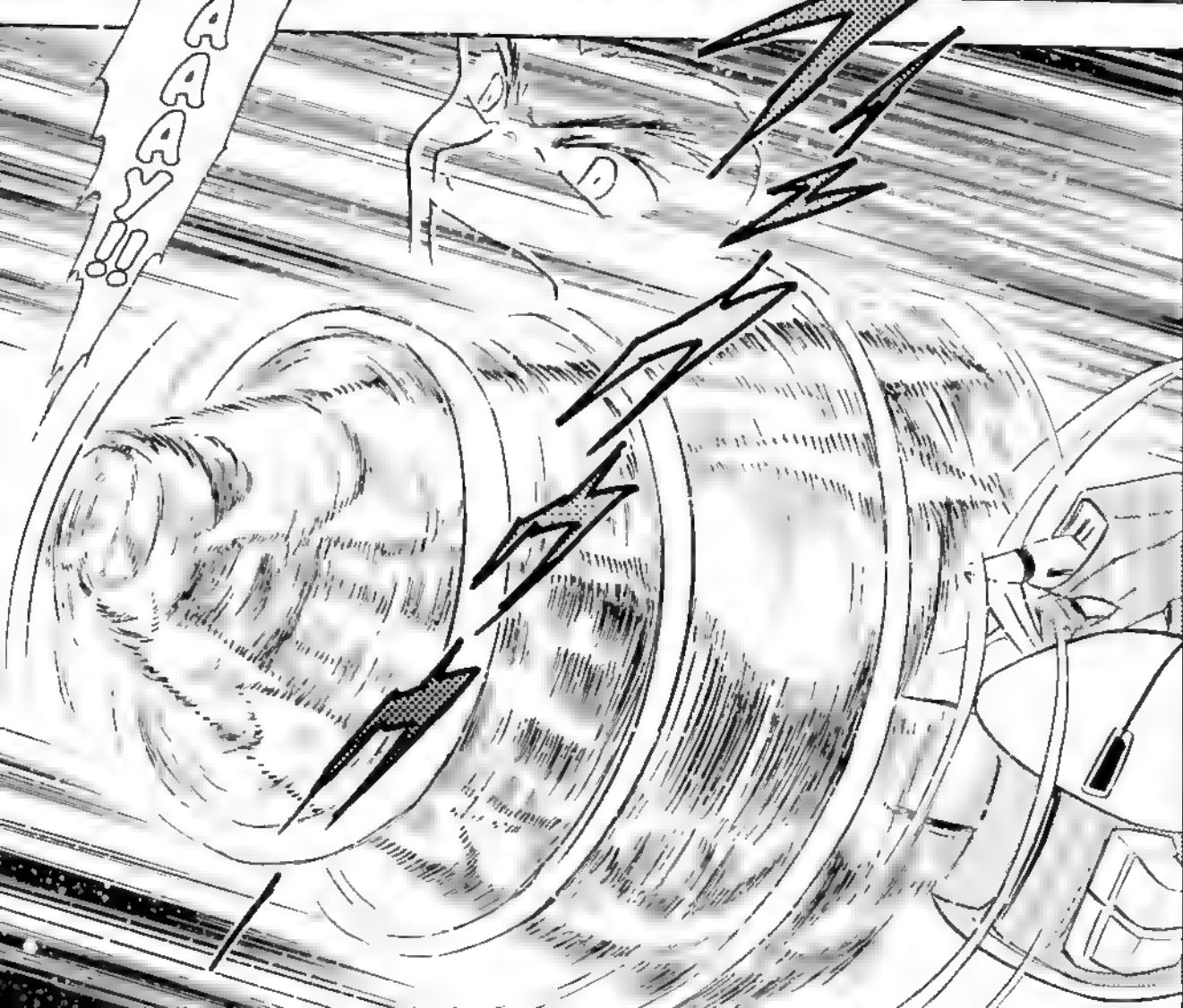


BAS-
TARD!



NO YA
DONT!
YOU AINT
FALLING
THATA...

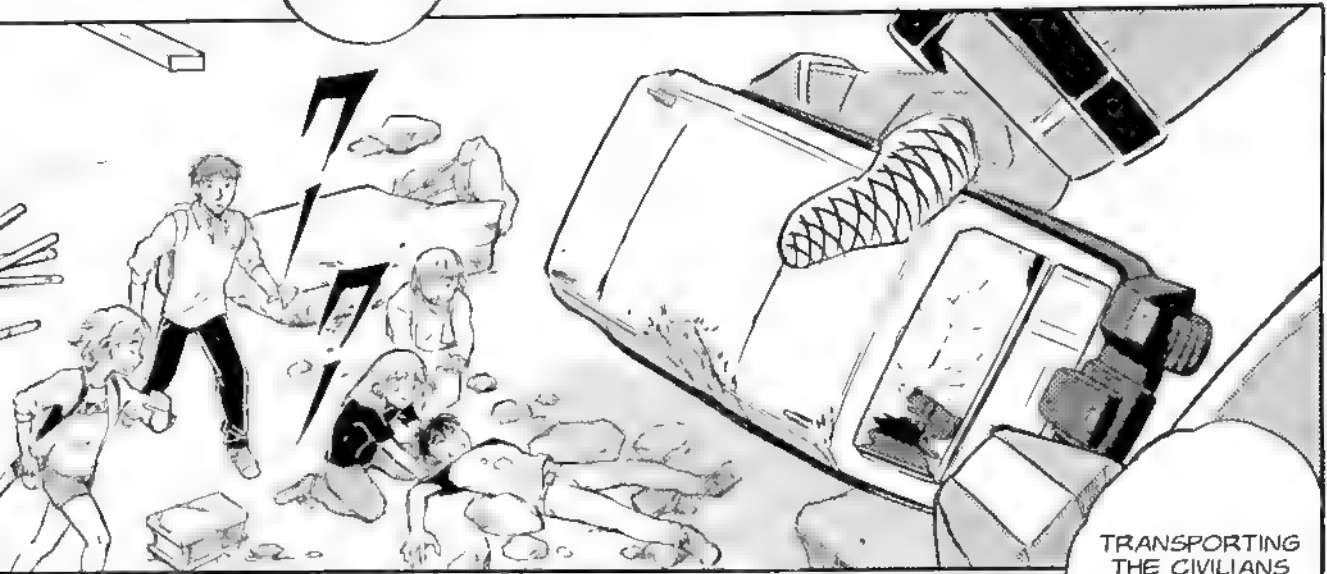








BASICALLY,
THIS IS A
"GIG" I'M
TAKING ON
AT THE
MOMENT.



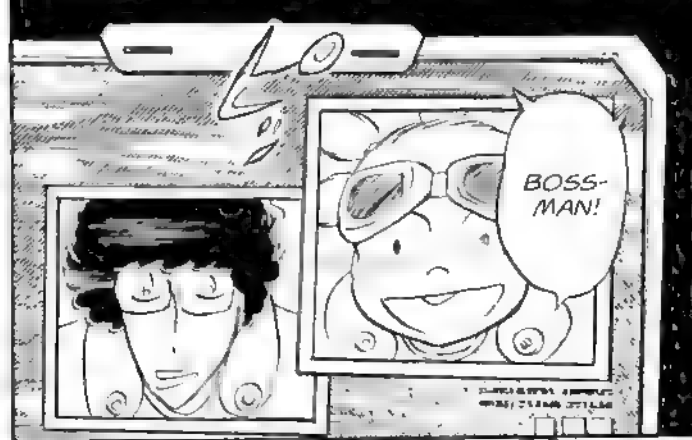
TRANSPORTING
THE CIVILIANS
WHO DIDN'T
MAKE IT OUT IN
TIME AS QUICKLY
AND SAFELY AS
POSSIBLE.

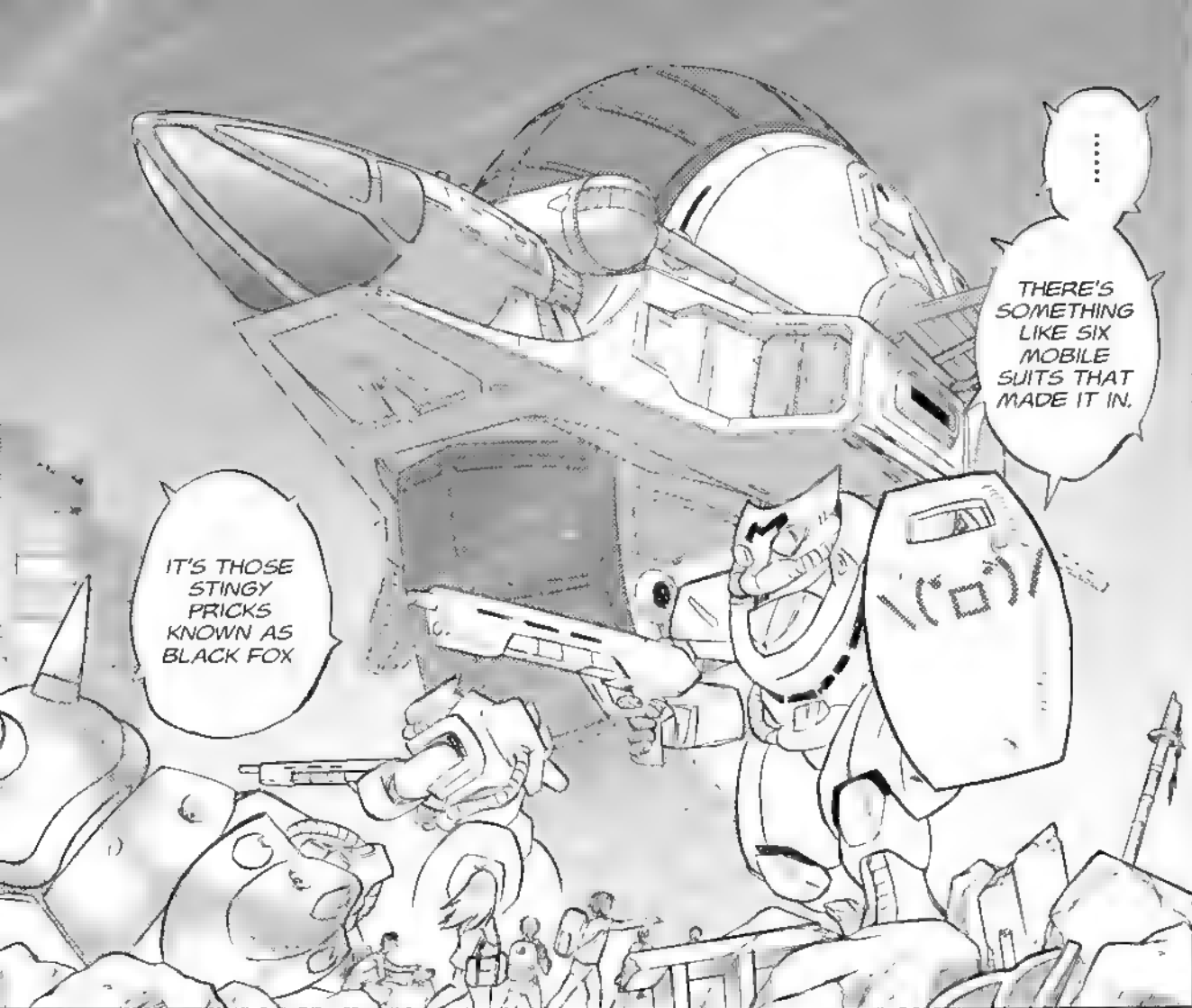


TAKING CARE
OF THE GONKS
ALONG THE
WAY IS A
LITTLE
SOMETHING
EXTRA I LIKE
TO THROW IN.



AND...





IT'S THOSE
STINGY
PRICKS
KNOWN AS
BLACK FOX

...

THERE'S
SOMETHING
LIKE SIX
MOBILE
SUITS THAT
MADE IT IN.



...DAT
LEAVES
ONLY
ONE LEFT.

IN ANY
CASE,
BOSSMAN,
IF YOU'VE
TAKEN
OUT
THREE...

...AND
WE TOOK
OUT ONE
OF DEM
AND THE
GARRISON
TOOK OUT
ONE...



NOTHING
LIKE THAT
SEEMS TO
FIT THE
BILL.

ANY OF
'EM GOT
CAT EYES
OR A
V-SHAPED
HEAD?



...BUT IT
LOOKS LIKE IT
WILL BE A
FIFTY-FIFTY
DEAL...

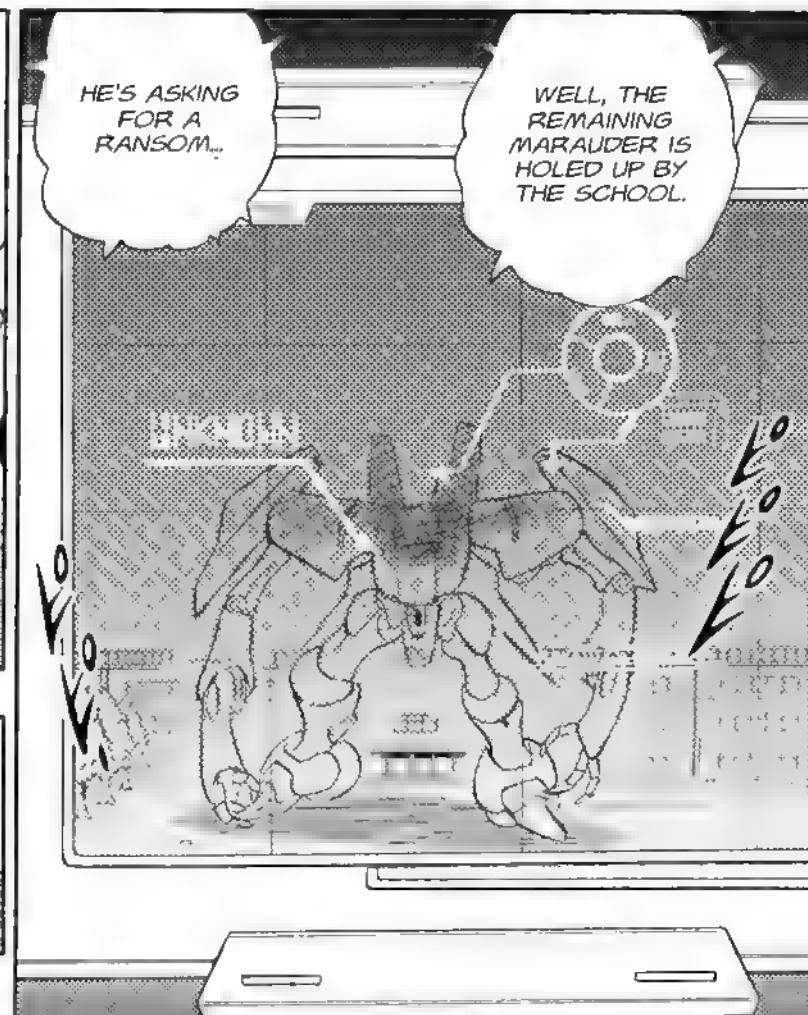
RIGHT,
SO THE REPAIR
CREWS ARE
RUSHING OVER
TO SEAL UP
THE HOLE IN
THE COLONY...



NOT LIKE
WE'RE
GONNA GET
ANY WORK
DONE IF I
DON'T,
RIGHT?

OH, BY THE
WAY, BOSS, UH,
I'VE GOT A
COUPLE OF
NOT-SO-GOOD
THINGS TO
REPORT.

YOU WANNA
HEAR WHAT
THEY ARE?







I CAN
HEAR YOU
ASKING
YOURSELVES,
BUT WHY?!

WHAT'S THE
HOLDUP?!
BRING ME
MY RANSOM,
CHOP CHOP!

I'LL SAY IT
AGAIN, DON'T
EVEN THINK
ABOUT
RESISTING!

ONE OF
THOSE
LEGENDARY
GUNDAMS!

THAT'S CUZ
MY SUIT IS A
GUNDAM!!

GE
HA
HA
HA
HA







THAT'S
WHY I WAS
ABLE TO
ACT IN
TIME.



HE
FREAKED
AND
STOPPED
JUST FOR A
MOVING
FOR A
SPLIT
SECOND.

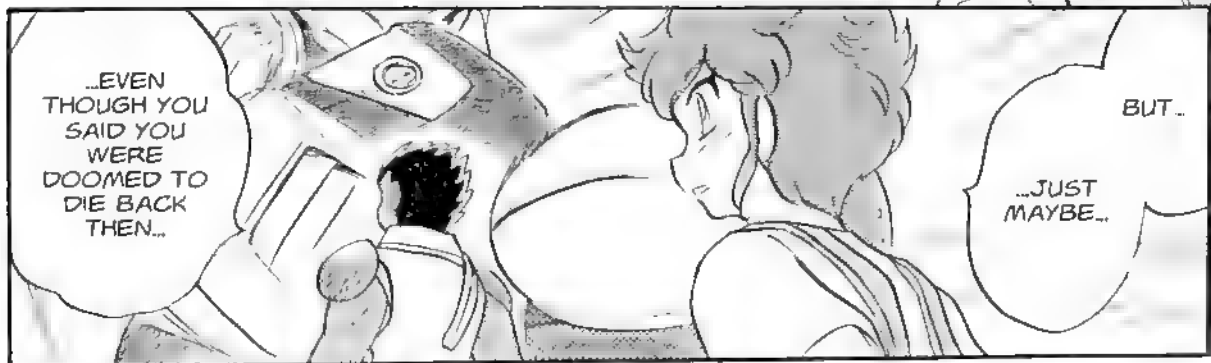
...HE
HESITATED,
STOPPED JUST FOR A
SECOND.

BACK THEN,
WHEN THAT
MARAUDER
PILOT SAW
THE LOOK IN
YOUR EYES...



...THAT IT
FRUSTRATES
YOU THAT YOU
CAN'T DO
ANYTHING.

YOU
SAID...



...EVEN
THOUGH YOU
SAID YOU
WERE
DOOMED TO
DIE BACK
THEN...

BUT...

...JUST
MAYBE...



OH...

...DEFINITELY
CHASED AWAY
THAT "DOOM."

I'D SAY THAT
THAT LOOK
IN YOUR
EYES
TODAY...



IT'S TRUE
THAT
WHAT'S
BROKEN IS
BROKEN...

...THINGS
WILL TURN
OUT ALL
RIGHT.

YOU CAN'T
PUT IT
BACK
TOGETHER.



YOU CAN
DO IT.



I CAN'T SAY
"ANYTHING,"
BUT WHEN
PEOPLE PUT
THEIR MINDS
TO IT...



...I CAN'T
AFFORD TO
LOSE
ANYMORE
NOW.

BUT THAT'S
PRECISELY
WHY...

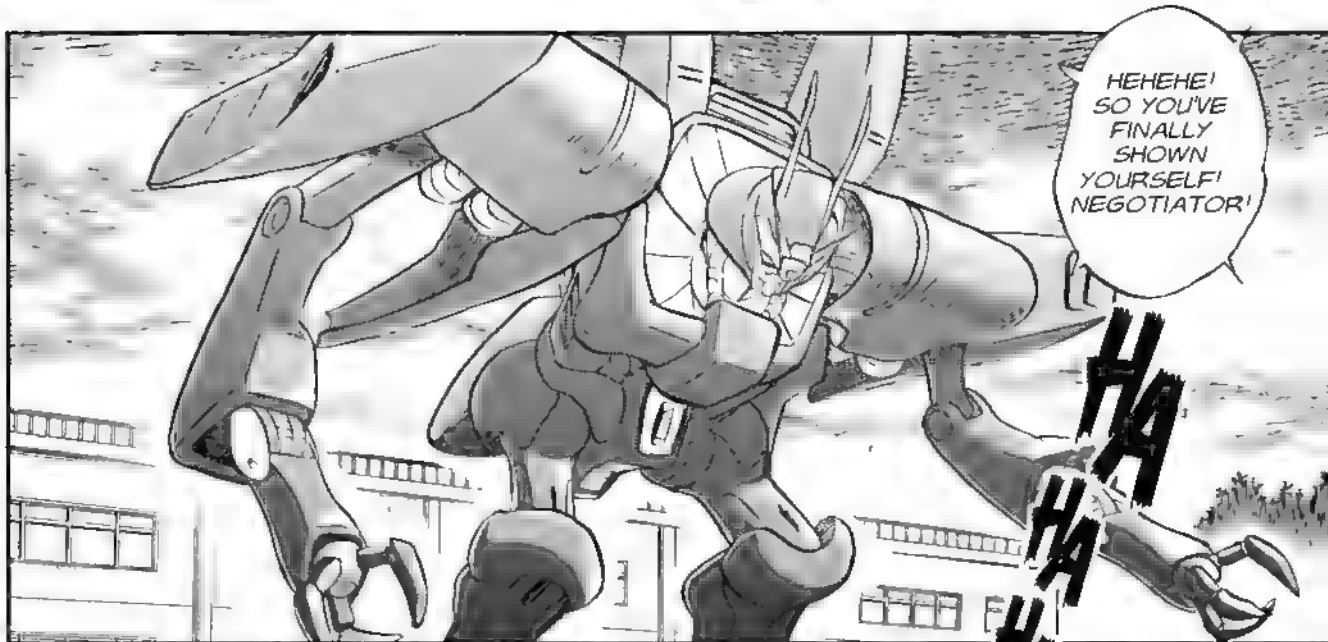
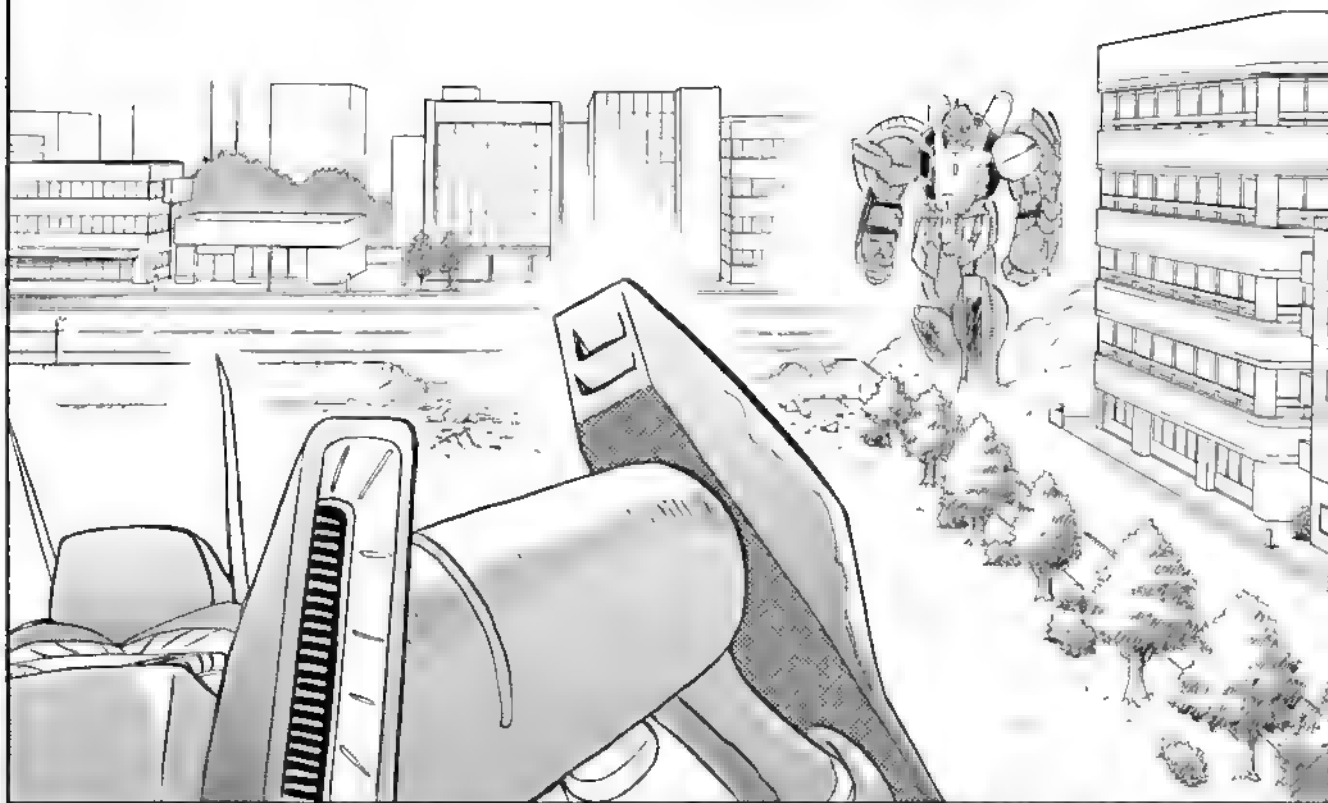


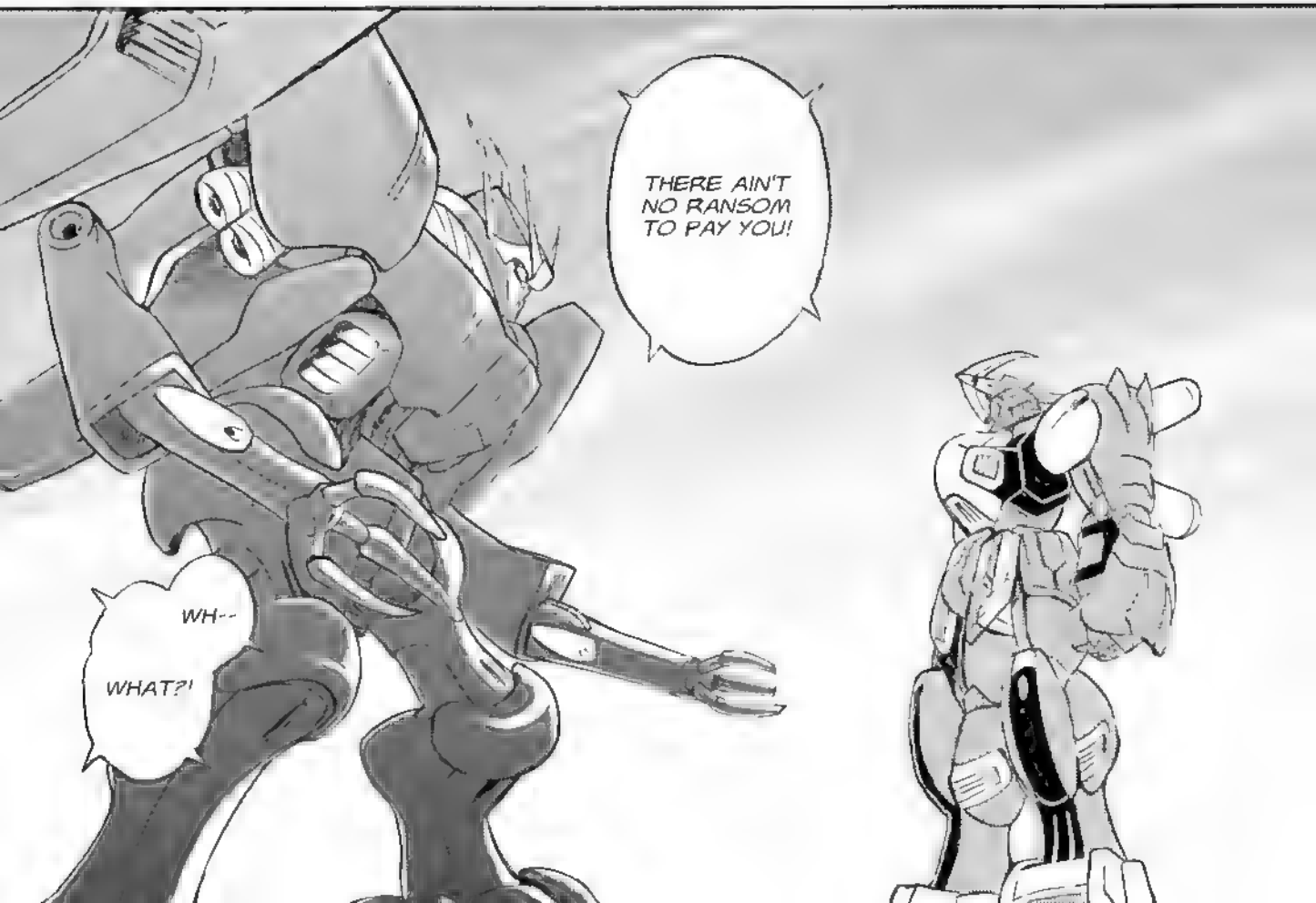
OH!



AH!

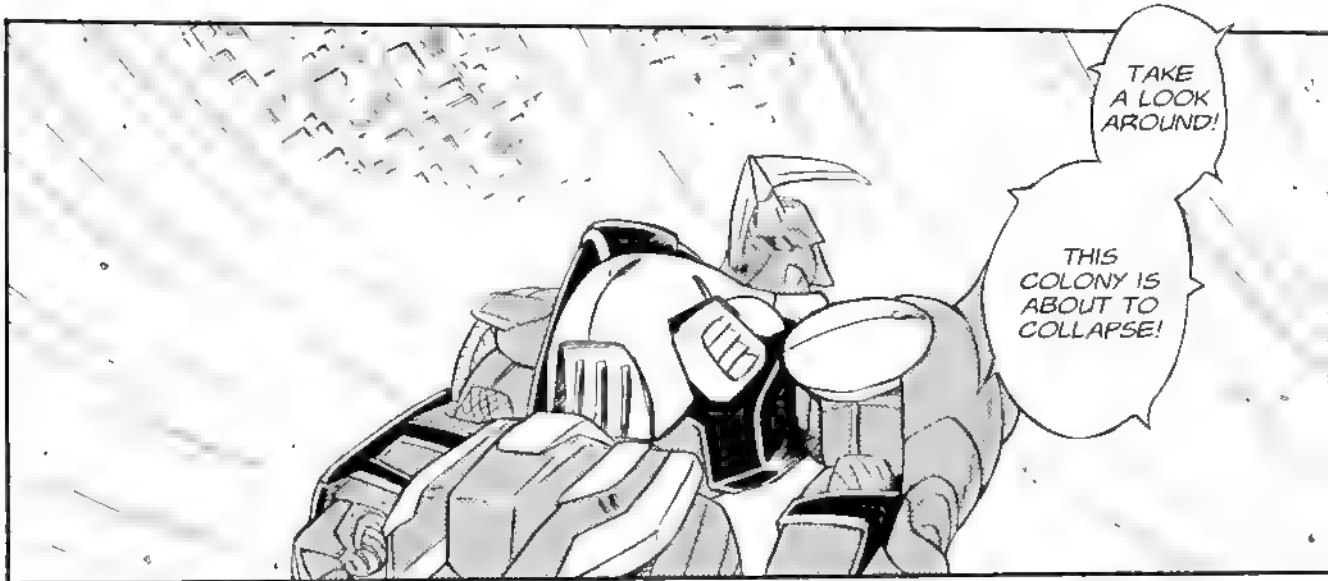








NOBODY'S
GOT THAT
KINDA MONEY
EVEN IF THEY
WANTED TO
PAY YOU!



TAKE
A LOOK
AROUND!

THIS
COLONY IS
ABOUT TO
COLLAPSE!



YOU
REALLY
ARE A
DAFT
BASTARD.

BETCHA
THOUGHT
YOU WERE
BADASS,
BUT YOU
WENT WAY
TOO FAR.



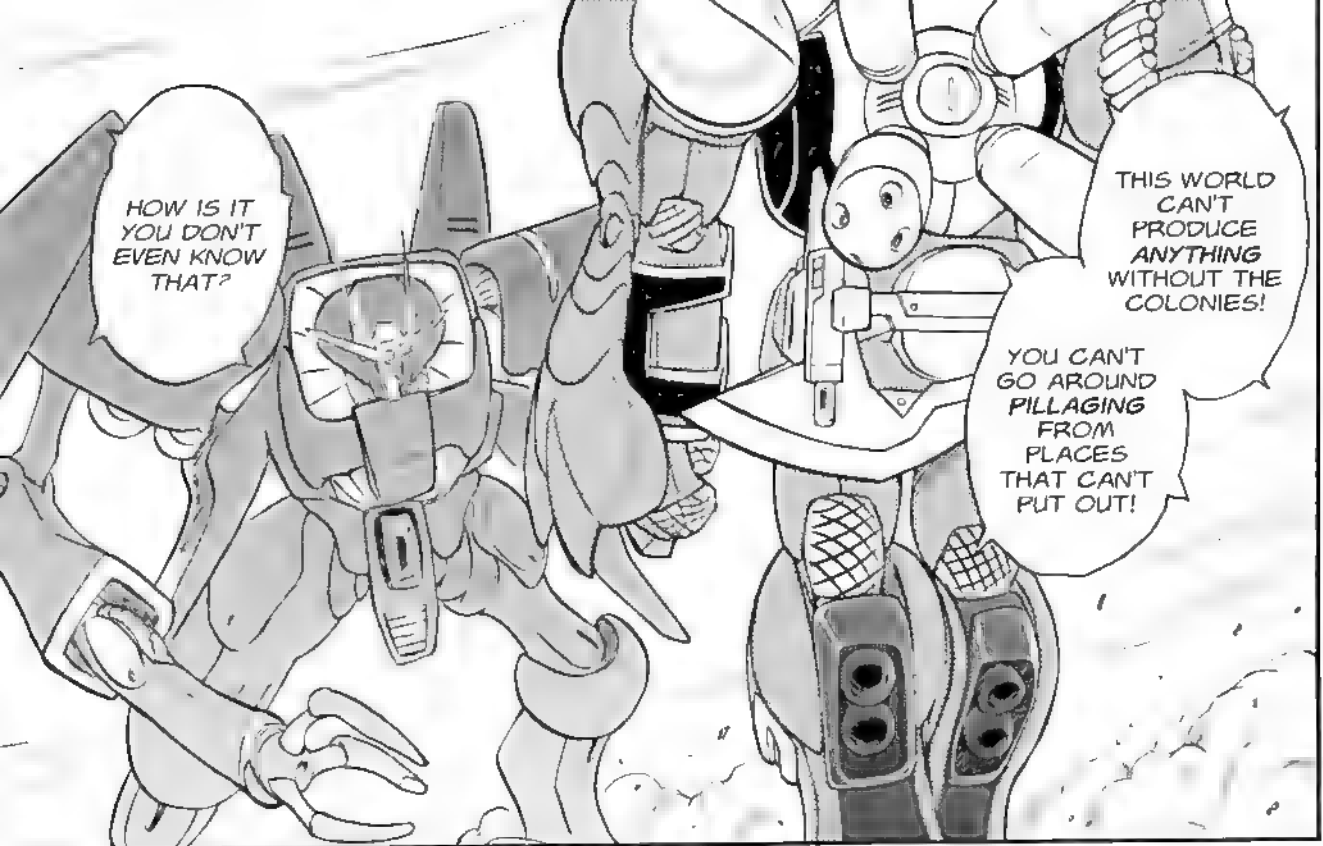
YOU
FOLLOWIN'
ME? WE AIN'T
GOT TIME TO
PUT UP WITH
A GANG OF
MARAUDERS.

EVERYONE
STARTED
PRETTY RUNNING
AWAY.
SOON,
THERE
WON'T BE
ANYONE
LEFT



THE
FU--

W-WHAT--



HOW IS IT
YOU DON'T
EVEN KNOW
THAT?

THIS WORLD
CAN'T
PRODUCE
ANYTHING
WITHOUT THE
COLONIES!

YOU CAN'T
GO AROUND
PILLAGING
FROM
PLACES
THAT CAN'T
PUT OUT!



UH...

NAH,
YOU'RE
GONNA
LOSE
YOUR LIFE
TOO, JUST
LIKE THIS
ENTIRE
COLONY!

UH...



DOESN'T
MATTER
HOW LONG
YOU END UP
HOLING UP
HERE.

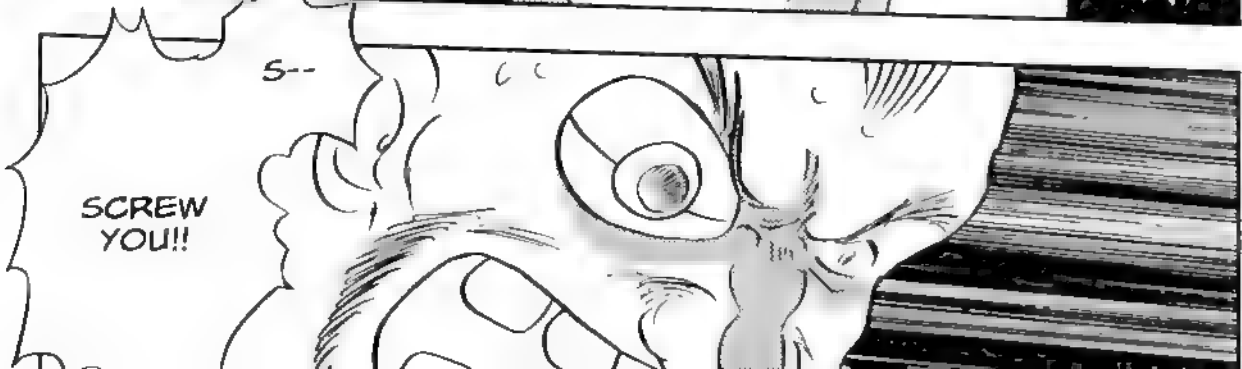
YOU'LL
NEVER
GET
ANYTHING



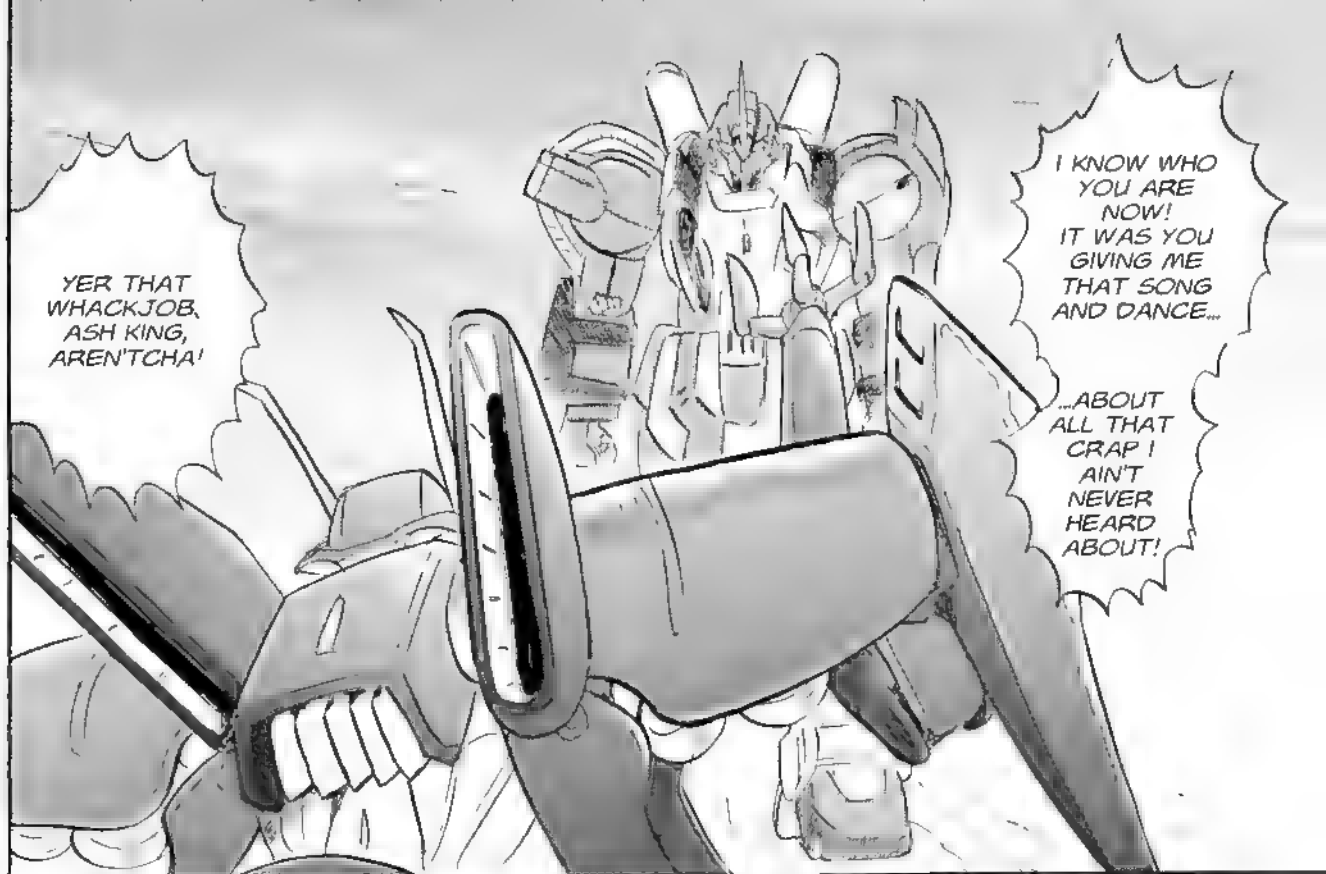
YA
PRICK-
LICKER!

WHAT'S IT
GONNA BE?
DON'T
LIKE IT?

WELL, TURN
WITH YER
TAIL 'TWEEN
YER LEGS
AND GET
THE FUCK
OUTTA
HERE!



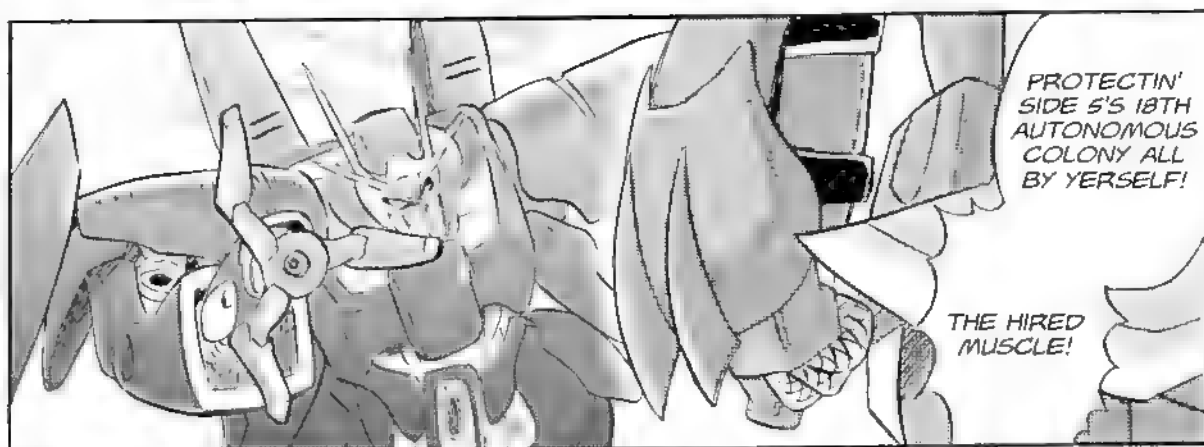
SCREW
YOU!!!



YER THAT
WHACKJOB,
ASH KING,
AREN'TCHA!

I KNOW WHO
YOU ARE
NOW!
IT WAS YOU
GIVING ME
THAT SONG
AND DANCE...

...ABOUT
ALL THAT
CRAP I
AIN'T
NEVER
HEARD
ABOUT!



PROTECTIN'
SIDE 5'S 18TH
AUTONOMOUS
COLONY ALL
BY YERSELF!

THE HIRED
MUSCLE!



THAT
SO?



...WITH ALL
YOUR
SMOOTH
TALK!

YOU SURE
AS HELL
AIN'T GONNA
WIN ME
OVER...



I'M JUST A
HAULER!





LION?!

WHAT'S SHE
DOING OVER
THERE?!



JUST A
LITTLE
BIT
MORE.

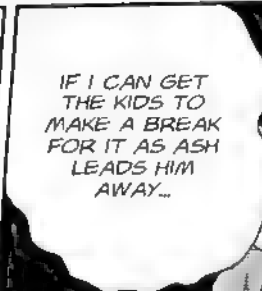
I GOT
THIS!

は
あ
は
あ

は
あ
は
あ



...EVEN I CAN
CHANGE
WHETHER I'M
DOOMED...



IF I CAN GET
THE KIDS TO
MAKE A BREAK
FOR IT AS ASH
LEADS HIM
AWAY...



THE ENTRANCE
IS THE ONLY
PART THAT'S
BEEN BARRED.



EVEN I CAN!!



WHAT'S SHE UP TO?

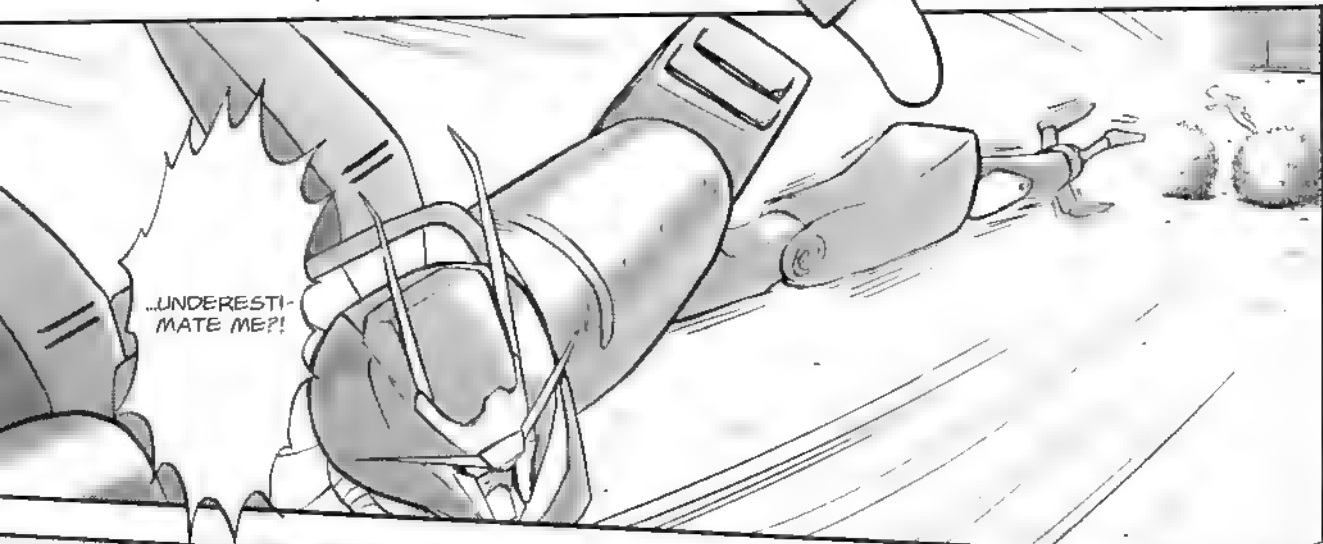
THIS ISN'T GOOD. SHE'S PLUCKY, BUT IF SHE OVERDOES IT...



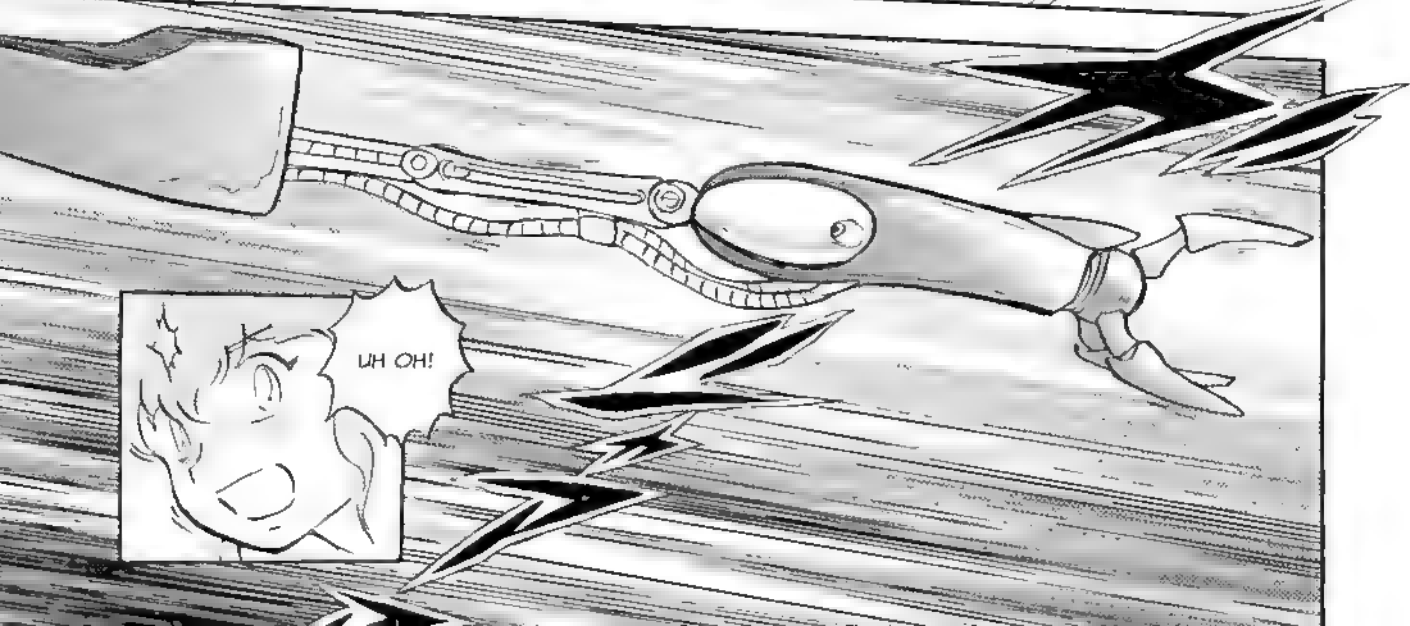
OR COULD IT BE THAT YOU...

WHASSA MATTER? COME AT ME!

ASH!!

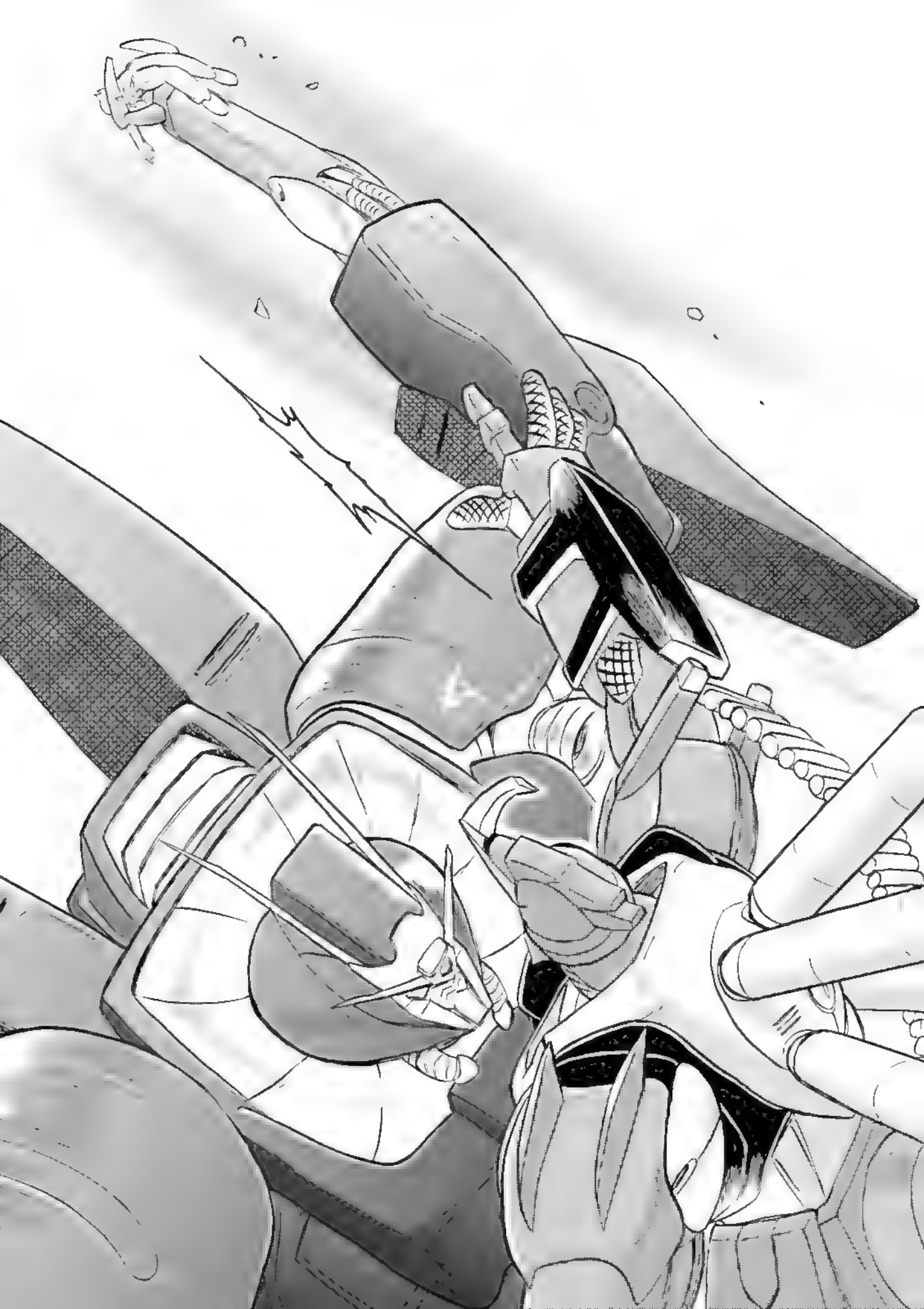


...UNDERESTIMATE ME?!



UH OH!









I'VE HEARD
SO MANY
RUMORS
ABOUT YOU,
ASH!



BE A SPORT,
WOULD YA?
HOW'S ABOUT
YOU TELL
THEM TO PAY
THE RANSOM
TOO!

HEARD
YOU'VE GOT
QUITE THE
REPUTATION
FOR HAVING
A HEART OF
GOLD!

EH?

LIVES
DEPEND
ON IT!



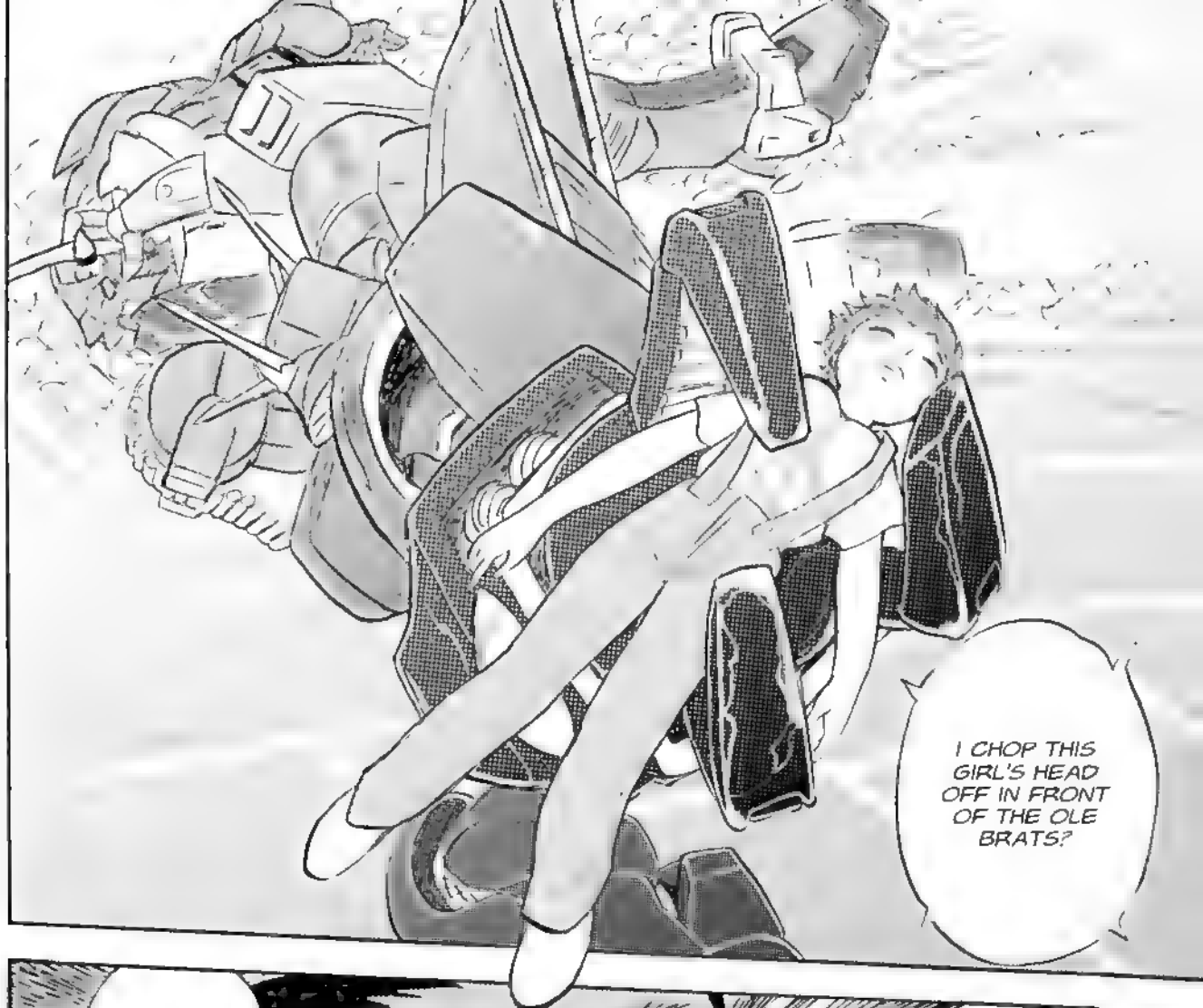
HOW'S
ABOUT...

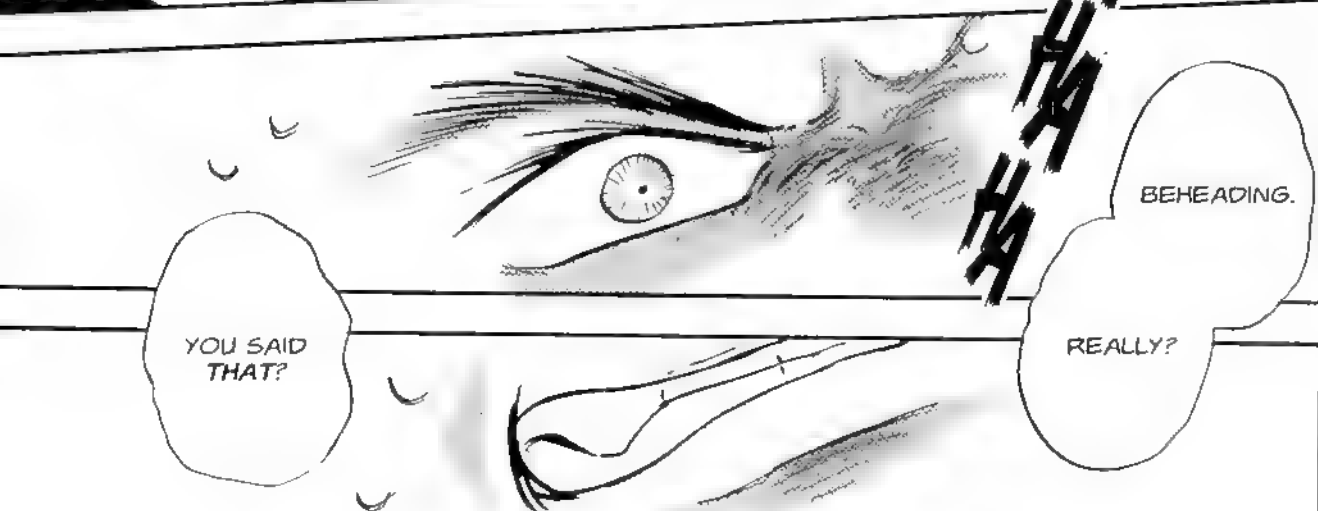
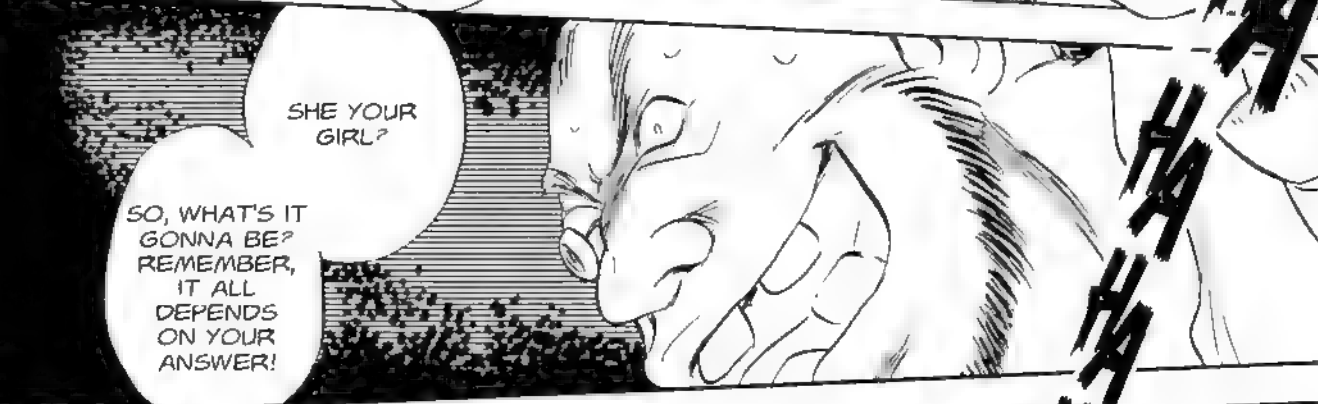
I MEAN, YOU
CAN SEE
WHAT I'M
GETTING AT
HERE, RIGHT?

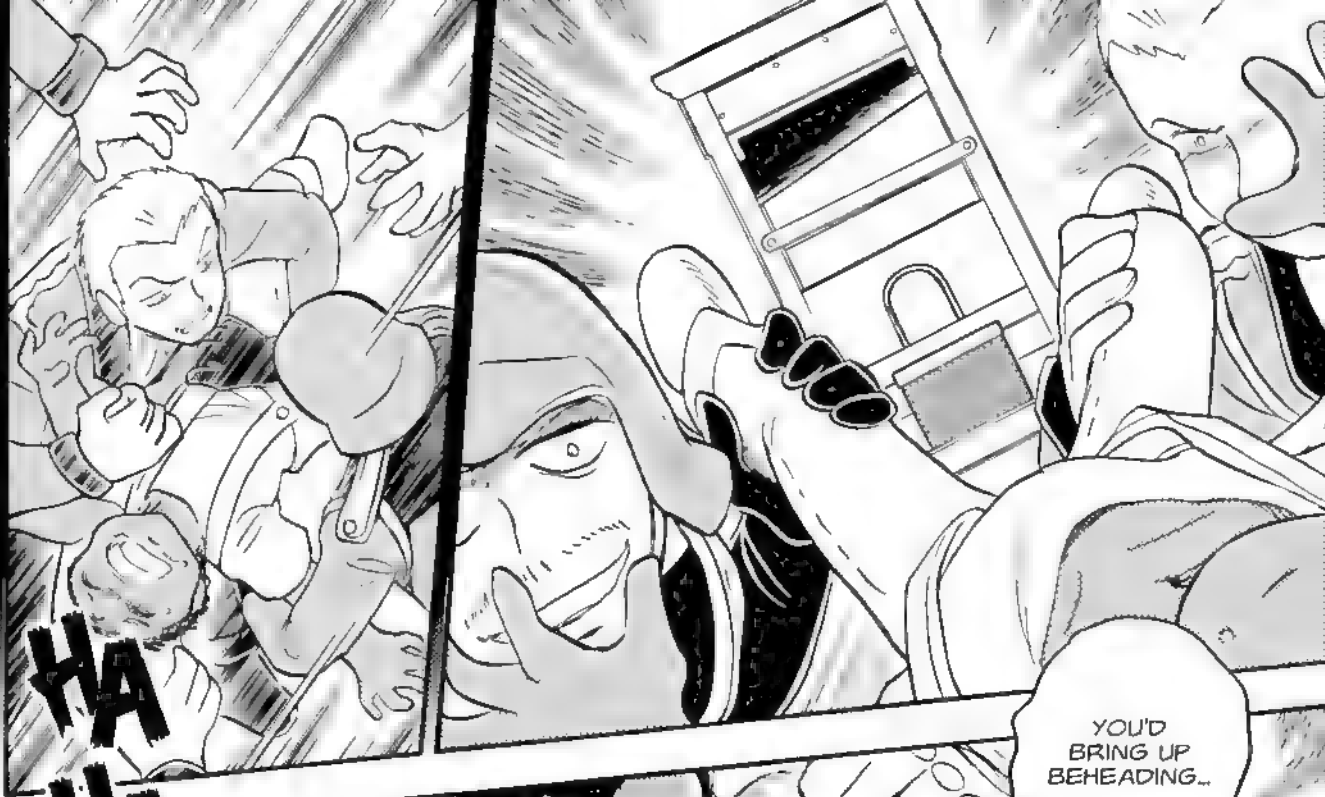
SO...



AND IT'S
LIKE I TOLD
YOU, NO
ONE CAN
PAY UP!







YOU'D
BRING UP
BEHEADING...

HA
HA

AROUND
ME...

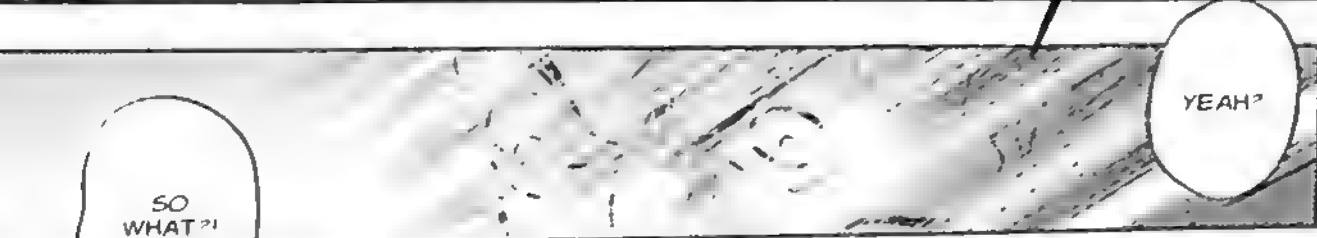


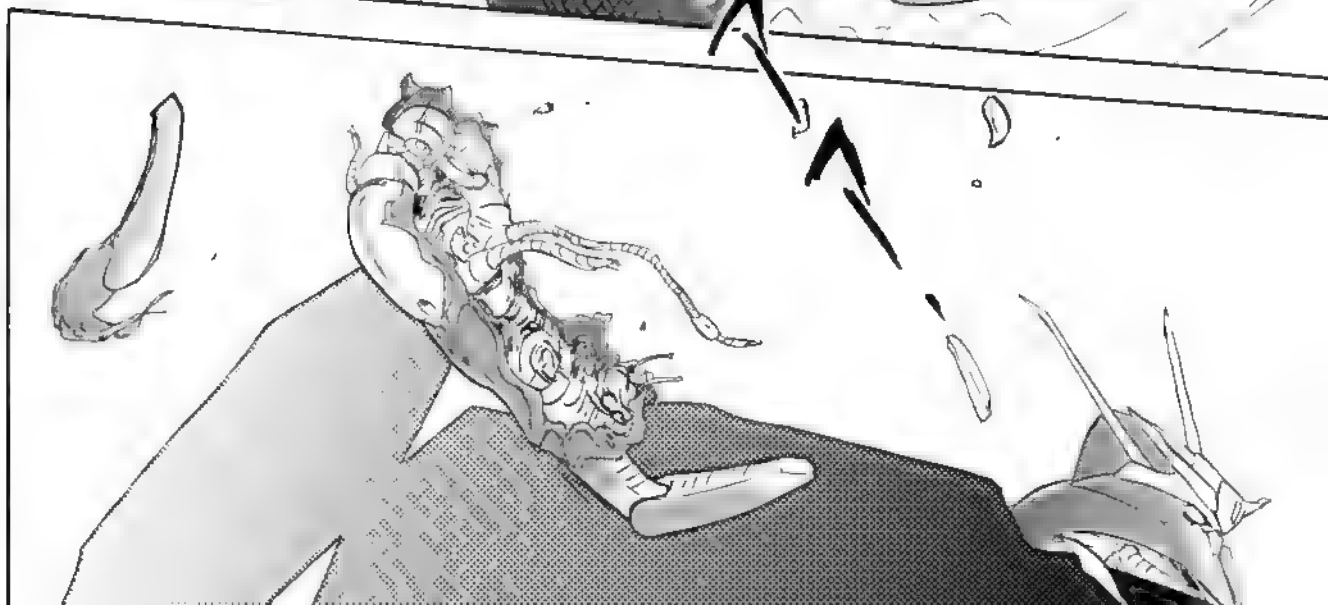
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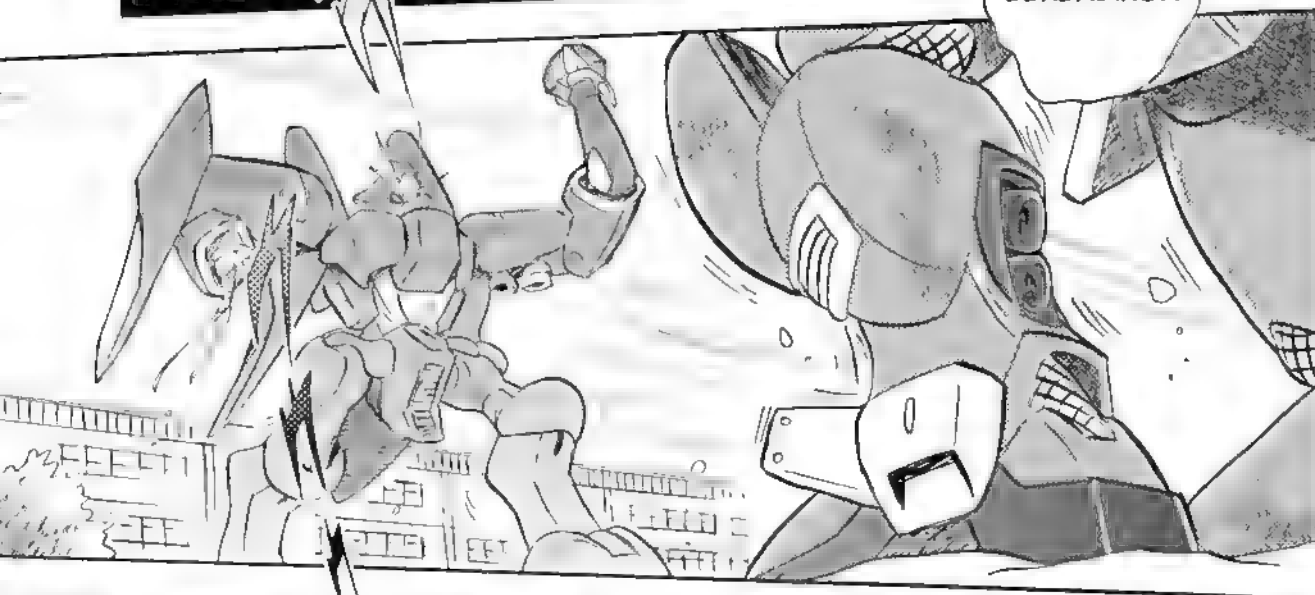
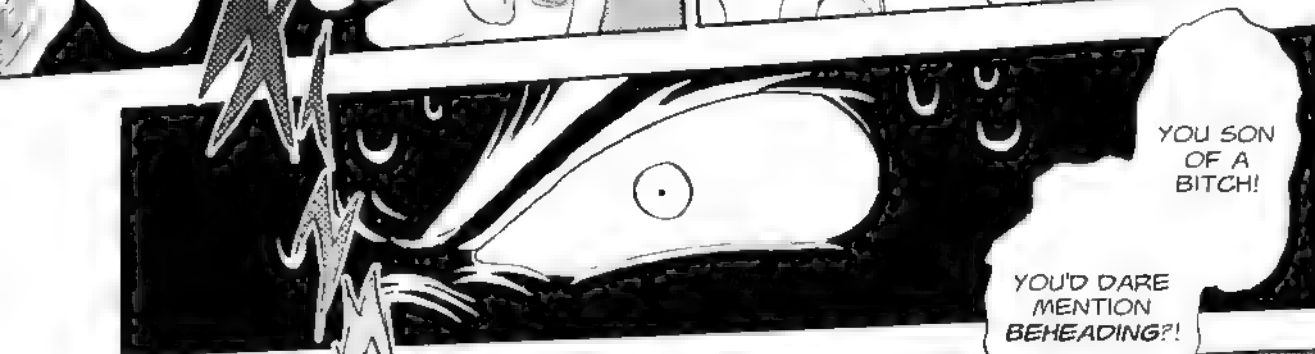
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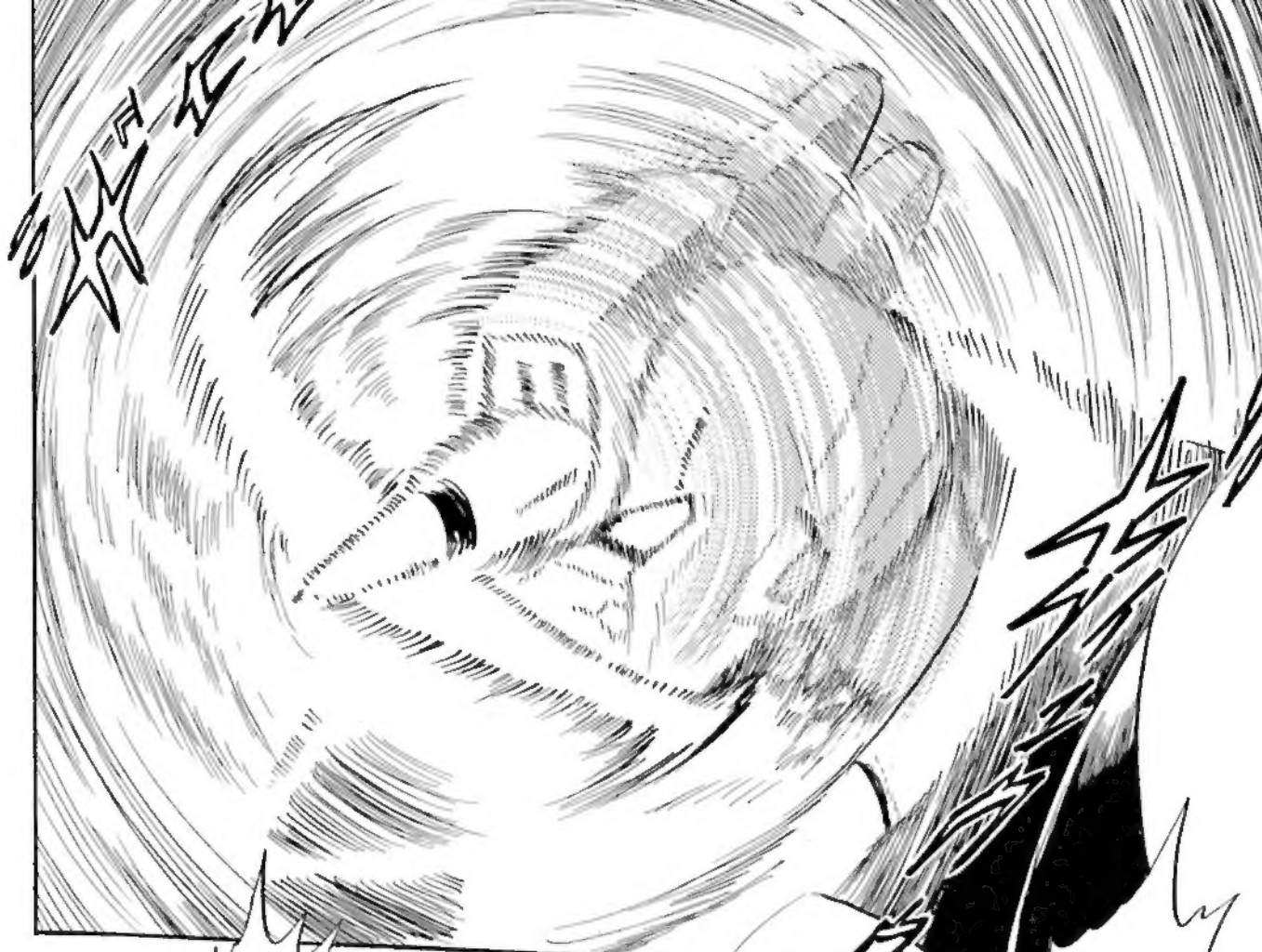
BEHEADING?!











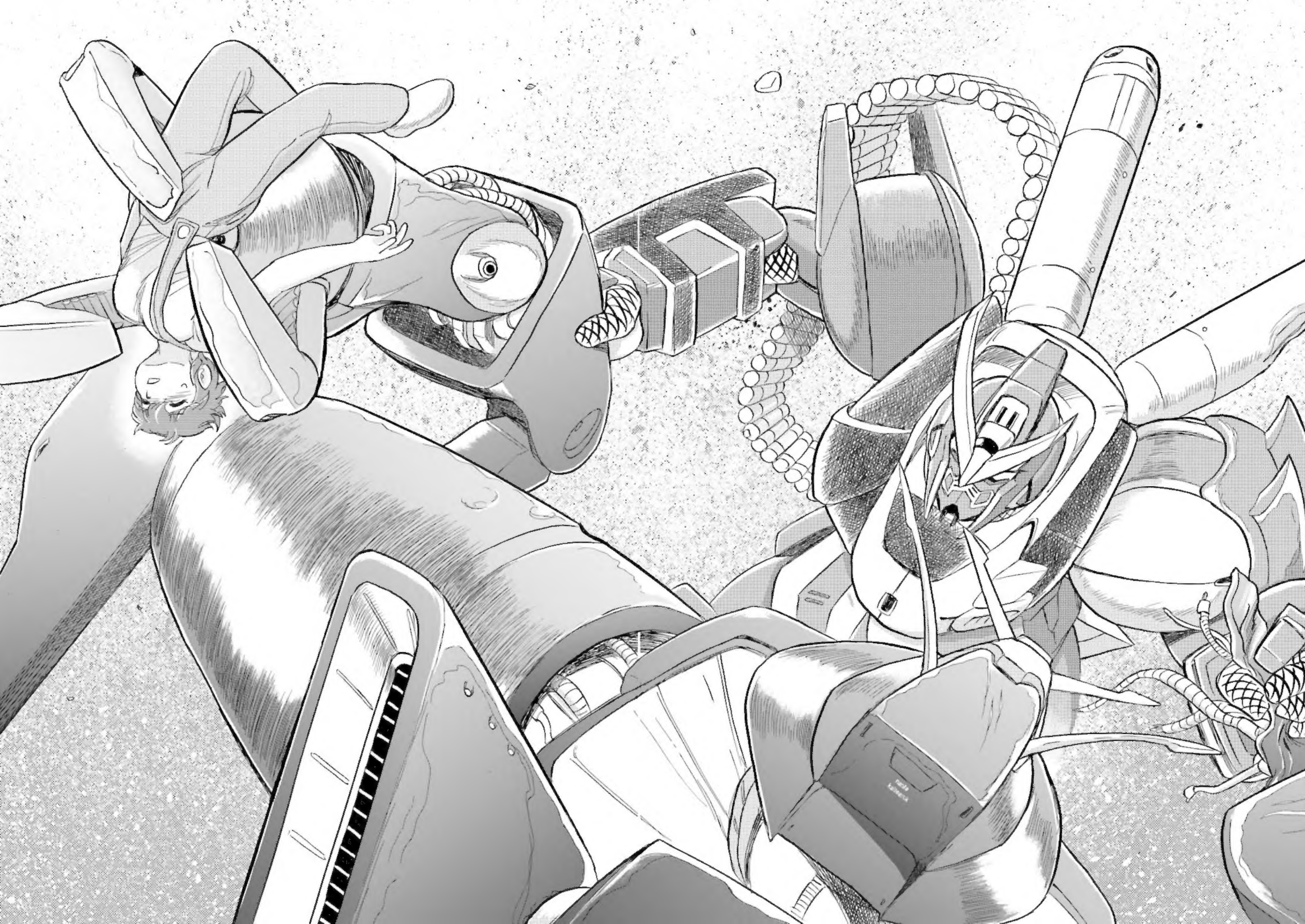
**BRING
UP
BE-
HEAD-
ING**

**YOU
DARE...**

**AROUND
ME?!**









HE'S...
ACTUALLY
CRYING?

ASH
IS...

HE'S
ANGRY?